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ITALY CONTEMPLATING OCCUPATION OF ADDIS ABABA BY AIR

Demoralisation Of Abyssinian Army Would Be Completed

PASSENGERS LANDED FROM RANPURA

ART TREASURES TO BE TRANSFERRED

VESSEL AGROUND IN HURRICANE GALE OFF SPANISH SHORE

Gibraltar, To-day.

It appears that the P. and O. liner Ranpura, carrying the Chinese art treasures back to China, dragged her anchors after the first tender carrying passengers ashore had left the ship, grounding in a dangerous spot called Puntamala, five miles north-west of Gibraltar, her bows facing the land. The weather has not changed, and the fact that the tenders are unable to approach is inconveniencing the passengers, many of whom have been deprived of their luggage. The Ranpura is roughly 500 yards from the Spanish shore.

Other Gibraltar advices say that Admiralty tugs have not yet been able to move the Ranpura. A naval target-towing tug is now also going to her assistance. A hurricane gale continues, and a special watch is being kept on all warships lest they break their moorings.

The British Consulate at Gibraltar reports that the Ranpura arrived off the harbour shortly after 11 a.m. yesterday and went to her anchorage outside. Two hours later she sent a wireless message asking for a tug to go to her assistance. The spot at which the vessel has grounded has a sandy bottom, but the high wind causes difficulty.

NEAR EASTERN POLITICS

Transjordan And Saudi Arabia

STOLEN DOCUMENT PUBLISHED

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Jerusalem, To-day.

The publication here a few days ago of what purports to be the original text of the memorandum sent by Emir Abdullah of Transjordan to the British Government has created the greatest sensation here, and has prompted pressmen to ask the Transjordan Premier, Ibrahim Pasha Hashem in Amman, whether the version published was the exact text, or not.

The Premier stated that the document had been stolen from the Emir's Chancellery and published against Abdullah's will. No statement would be made as to the accuracy of the published text. Nor could any information be furnished about the individual points of the documents, or about the alleged endeavour of the Emir to obtain the Syrian and Palestine thrones.

As to the assertion published at the same time as the document, to the effect that an Iraq-Transjordan friendship agreement was about to be signed, the Premier denied emphatically that there was any truth in this allegation, since as a result of the treaty signed in 1931 between the two countries their relations had been excellent, while the blood relationship between the Emir Abdullah and his nephew, King Ghazi, made new treaties superfluous.

The Premier also denied that Transjordan had any intention of becoming a party to the Iraq-Saudi Arabia Treaty. — Trans-Ocean Service.

GERMANY AND FRANCE

Berlin, To-day. — Germany's right to the most-favoured-nation treatment in the French mandated territories, which expires on April 20, has been prolonged until July 20 by agreement of the German and French Governments. — Trans-Ocean Service.

Gibraltar, later: The dockyard tugs suspended their re-floating operations on the Ranpura last night, and will resume at six o'clock this morning. The weather is improving slightly. The passengers who were stranded in the liner have now been safely landed with their luggage.

Gibraltar, later: It is most reliably stated that the P. and O. liner Barrapool has been instructed by wireless to change her course and proceed immediately to Gibraltar, for the purpose of taking the Chinese treasures to Shanghai.

NEW SYNTHETIC FIBRE

Third Thinner Than The Finest Natural Silk

Kansas City, To-day.

A new synthetic fibre which is one-third thinner than the finest natural silk has been produced from woodpulp by a firm of American manufacturers of rayon, according to an announcement at the annual meeting of the American Chemical Society.

The new rayon is so delicate that a woman's undergarment composed of it can be hid in the palm of the hand. The invention is largely the result of new studies of the molecular character of fibre. — Reuter.

STOP PRESS

Manila, To-day.

Two American navy destroyers came into collision yesterday during night exercises off Olongapo Naval Station, to which both are reported to be proceeding. It is understood that one was badly damaged.

There is a rumour that one was abandoned as lost, but that it still found to be above water this morning. This report, however, has not yet been confirmed. — Reuter.



The Home Secretary, Sir John Simon, above, has rejected the plea for mercy in the case of Nurse Waddingham, convicted of the murder of a woman patient at a nursing home, and she is to be executed to-morrow, the eighth woman to be hanged in Britain in this century.

ROOSEVELT'S CAMPAIGN

Revival Of N.R.A. Principles?

Washington, To-day.

Political observers regard President Roosevelt's Baltimore speech as an indication that re-employment by continued social and economic readjustment will be one of the principal issues in his re-election campaign, at the same time lending substance to the belief that his re-election may be followed by a renewed effort to revive the principles of the N.R.A. — Reuter.

HOOLIGANISM IN SPAIN

CRACKERS LET OFF AT PARADE AND POPULACE FEAR COUP

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Madrid, To-day.

At a military parade yesterday, to celebrate the fifth anniversary of the Spanish republic, a panic broke out opposite the President's tribune and alongside the grandstand occupied by the Diplomatic Corps.

The cause was a sudden series of detonations following one another rapidly, due to the explosion of fireworks let off by unknown persons, and giving rise to the erroneous assumption that the Communists had begun an attempt to overthrow the Government.

Very soon, the fireworks having all exploded, the detonations stopped and the real cause was discovered. The parade then continued.

One officer, however, had fired a few revolver shots to frighten the crowd, and was roughly manhandled when it was found that it all had been a false alarm. This treatment of the officer, however, caused the military to fire into the crowd, one person being killed and several seriously wounded.

After the parade was over, Communists and their political opponents had a real fight with firearms, when one Communist was killed and four other persons were wounded. — Trans-Ocean Service.

FIRST SHIP IN MONTREAL

British Freighter Breaks Record

Montreal, To-day.

The first steamer to reach Montreal after the winter frost was the British tramp steamer West Wales, from Argentina. She arrived on April 15, which is one day ahead of the existing record for reaching Montreal after the break-up of the ice on the river. The Captain has been presented

LARGE PLANES CAN LAND IN CAPITAL

MASS TRANSPORT NO IMPOSSIBILITY

BOMBING PLANES COULD COVER LANDING OF TROOPS

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Asmara, To-day.

The Gorgora Peninsula in the northern part of Lake Tsana has been occupied by Italian troops. When, after a 33-miles' march, the Italians arrived, the elders of all the villages gathered and took part in the ceremony of hoisting the Italian flag. Italian reports even state that the monks living opposite the Peninsula on an island came over to welcome the Italians.

Through the occupation of this Gorgora Peninsula, which is exceedingly fertile, the Italians command the whole of Lake Tsana and thus communication between North and South Abyssinia.

Rome: Detailed accounts of the Italian air demonstration over Addis Ababa state that the bombers appeared over the capital at 10.40 a.m. on Monday, circled around in great curves and dropped handbills recounting the victories of the Italian troops until now, and depicting the extent of the Abyssinian territory occupied by the Italian army. The text closes with the passage: "We could have blown Addis Ababa to atoms, but did not do so this time. We are satisfied to-day with letting the population see our might."

In military circles here great importance is attached to this experiment, which is believed to be the prelude to an attempt to occupy Addis Ababa by air.

The provisioning of the white Italian divisions has shown that mass transport is no impossibility.

An aerodrome where large planes can land exists in Addis Ababa, and the opinion prevails that a large number of men could be landed, while a squadron of fighter planes could effectively protect them from an attack from the ground. If such plans should succeed, it is considered certain that the demoralisation of the Abyssinian army would be complete. — Trans-Ocean Service.

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WOMAN MURDERER TO DIE

Recommendation For Mercy Disregarded

London, To-day.

The Home Secretary, Sir John Simon, has declined to act upon the jury's recommendation for mercy in the case of Nurse Waddingham, who was convicted of the murder of a woman patient in a nursing home. She will be hanged at Birmingham to-morrow. She will be the eighth woman to be hanged in Britain in this century.

Nurse Waddingham has five children, the youngest being six months old. — Reuter.

"BANISH ALL WAR"

Appeal To American Nations

Washington, To-day.

An eloquent appeal to the peoples of the 21 American nations to support the efforts of the Government to banish the scourge of war for ever from the hemisphere was made by Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, in a speech yesterday commemorating Pan-American Day.

He described the coming Pan-American peace conference at Buenos Aires as an opportunity to set an example to the world in friendly co-operation and enlightened nationalism. — Reuter.

with the traditional gold-headed cane. — Reuter's Bulletin Service.

POISON GAS ATTACKS BY ITALIANS

Nineteen Cases Cited By Abyssinians

QUORAM LITERALLY DRENCHED

Geneva, To-day.

Nineteen cases of poison gas attacks by the Italians are cited by an Abyssinian note published by the League, the dates of the attacks ranging from December 22 to April 7. It states that during the last four bombardments of Quorum from April 4 to 7 the town was literally drenched with poison gas, mostly mustard gas or yprite.

Cairo: The doctor in charge of the Egyptian Red Cross unit in Abyssinia returned to Cairo yesterday. Commenting on the Italian charges of atrocities by Abyssinians, in which the testimony of three members of the Egyptian Red Cross is cited, he said that the testimonies of the three men must be accepted with reserve, as they were men dismissed from the unit for insubordination.

He had only seen a single case of an atrocity—that of the pilot of a plane which crashed at Dargahur last December. However, the men responsible for the outrage were immediately arrested and executed.

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MINERS DASHED TO DEATH

TERRIBLE TRAGEDY IN JAPAN

Fukuoka, To-day.

Eighty-two miners were yesterday dashed down a distance of 1,950 feet when descending a shaft of the Sumitomo Co.'s Tarama coal-mine. The cable of the cage snapped.

The bodies of 49 men who were killed and 20 seriously injured people have so far been brought up to the surface. — Reuter.

MINERS ENTOMBED IN CANADA

Frantic Efforts At Rescue

Halifax, To-day.

Three miners have been entombed in a gold mine at Moose River, Nova Scotia, and miners were digging a shaft the whole of Monday night in an attempt to reach the three men, who on Monday morning had gone down to inspect a mine working 150 feet below the surface. The hopes of rescuing the men have not yet been abandoned. — Reuter's Bulletin Service.

GENERAL STRIKE IN FRANCE?

Lens Coal Workers Dissatisfied

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Paris, To-day.

A general strike on May 1 has been decided on by all the trade unions in Northern France, in the coal-basin of Lens. The reason given is that the workers consider the concessions made to them insufficient. On receipt of this decision, the National Association of Underground Pit Workers convened an extraordinary meeting yesterday, in order to decide whether this strike is to be extended over all French coal mines. — Trans-Ocean Service.

CHAIRMAN OF S.E.C. TO RETIRE?

Washington, To-day. — Mr. James Landis, Chairman of the Securities Exchange Commission, said yesterday that there is a possibility of his retiring from the Chairmanship. — Reuter.

TACTICS OF ITALY

OBSTRUCTION AND DELAY

ALOISIS ARRIVAL IN GENEVA

ONLY STATUS AS ENVOY

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Paris, To-day.

The French delegation to the Franco-British-Belgian General Staff deliberations, which begin in London to-day, left here yesterday, headed by General Schweissguth, who was present at the first meeting between M. Flandin and Mr. Anthony Eden in London.

The Deputy Chief of Staff of the Admiralty, Vice-Admiral Abrial, will represent the Admiralty, and the Deputy Chief of the General Air Staff, General Mouchard, represents the Air Ministry.

MERELY AN ENVOY

Rome: Baron Aloisi left here yesterday for Geneva, and the first conversation with Senor de Madariaga is scheduled for to-day. It is specially emphasised that Baron Aloisi goes to Geneva merely as an envoy, not as plenipotentiary. He carries no kind of positive proposals, but will be at the disposal of the Committee of Thirteen, to receive communications and transmit them to Rome.

MEETING DELAYED

Geneva: The communication of Baron Aloisi, Italian League delegate, that he would only arrive this evening to confer with Senor de Madariaga, leaves doubt whether the session of the Committee of Thirteen will be able to take place even to-morrow. Senor de Madariaga meanwhile announced that he would confer with the Abyssinian delegate, M. Wolde Mariam. — Trans-Ocean Service.

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FORGED NOTES IN CANTON

Three Foreigners Arrested

SIMPLE PROCESS OF MANUFACTURE

[From Our Own Correspondent]

Canton, To-day.

Three foreigners were arrested in the Oriental Hotel in Fatsan on Monday night for having in their possession counterfeit notes of the 10-dollar denomination bearing the name of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation. The apparatus used for forging the notes was also seized.

The process was a very simple one. A blank paper smeared with certain ink was pressed against a genuine note and was then imprinted with all the marks and water-colour of a real note.

Police officers who made the arrest declared that the false note looks very much like a genuine one, and money-changers in Fatsan, 25 miles west of Canton, could not tell the difference.

The three foreigners have been detained at the Nam Hoi County Administration and will be sent here to-day for trial. Ten minutes are required for imprinting each false note. The ink is said to be very expensive and was manufactured in Europe.

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INWARD MAILS.

FROM EUROPE

Rajputana (via Suez) Apr. 15
FROM U.S.A. Apr. 17

Pres. Grant Apr. 17

FROM SHANGHAI

Pres. Grant Apr. 17
Gen. Lee Apr. 17
Naldera Apr. 17
Terakuni Maru Apr. 17
Asama Maru Apr. 17
Bangalore Apr. 17

FROM MANILA

Kitano Maru Apr. 16
Helenus Apr. 16
Pres. Hoover Apr. 17

FROM STRAITS & INDIA

Kutsang Apr. 16
Conte Verde Apr. 16
Hakodate Maru Apr. 16
Agapenor Apr. 16
Lashon Maru Apr. 16
Behar Apr. 16

FROM AUSTRALIA

Kitano Maru Apr. 16

FROM JAPAN

Tottori Maru Apr. 15
Gen. Lee Apr. 17
Naldera Apr. 17
Pres. Grant Apr. 17
La Plata Maru Apr. 17
Terakuni Maru Apr. 17
Kamo Maru Apr. 17
Asama Maru Apr. 17

OUTWARD MAILS.

FOR EUROPE

Emp. of Russia (via Van-
couver) Apr. 16
Closes: Reg. 4.15 p.m. Ord. 5 p.m.

R.M.A. Dore (Imperial Air-
ways direct Service) Apr. 17
Closes: Reg. 5 p.m. Ord. 8.15 a.m.

Aramis (via Siberia) Apr. 17
Pres. Hoover (via San Fran-
cisco) Apr. 17
Closes: Reg. 5 p.m. Ord. 8.30 a.m.

Conte Verde (K.L.M. Service) Apr. 18
Closes: Reg. 9 a.m. Ord. 9.30 a.m.

Naldera (K.L.M. Service) Apr. 18
Closes: Reg. 9.45 a.m.
Ord. 10.30 a.m.

Takuta Maru (via Siberia) Apr. 21
Closes: Reg. 5 p.m. Ord. 8.30 a.m.

Menestheus (via Marseilles) Apr. 22
Closes: Reg. 9.45 a.m.
Ord. 10.30 a.m.

FOR SHANGHAI

Emp. of Russia Apr. 16
Rajputana Apr. 16
Conte Verde Apr. 16
Pres. Hoover Apr. 16
Tatsuta Maru Apr. 16

FOR JAPAN

Emp. of Russia Apr. 16
Rajputana Apr. 16
Conte Verde Apr. 16
Pres. Hoover Apr. 16
Tatsuta Maru Apr. 16
Tatshibus Apr. 16

FOR MANILA

Pres. Grant Apr. 18
Change Apr. 21

FOR U.S.A.

Emp. of Russia Apr. 16
Pres. Hoover Apr. 18
Tatsuta Maru Apr. 21

Women's Page

LET YOUR EYES BE NATURAL!

Joan Blondell Gives Her Advice

AN ACCENT TO BEAUTY

"Cultivation of a cheerful disposition is the first step toward making the most of your natural eye beauty," says Joan Blondell, screen star whose own lovely eyes are famous.

"Learn to philosophize a bit about your trouble, form the habit of looking on the brighter side of things, bring your sense of humour more frequently to the fore.

"The next important consideration is clarity of the eyes and the skin around them. You should eat sensibly, take regular exercise and never try to burn the candle at both ends. If you never sleep enough and seldom get fresh air and exercise, you have only yourself to blame when your eyes become swollen, bloodshot and dark circled.

Then Miss Blondell went on to talk about makeup and manners for the eyes. Even screen stars admit that "mannerisms" are out of the beauty picture. Nothing is more annoying and less attractive than eyes that roll back and forth in an attempt to be alluring, or are raised from droopy lids in an effort to be seductive. Let your eyes be natural!

As to makeup, it should, of course, be chosen to match your lashes and brows and the natural colour of your skin. For example, brown lashes need brown mascara and brunette lids require brown eyeshadow or, if you like, plain vaseline. Whether or not your eyes are brown, green or blue isn't important when choosing eyeshadow for daytime. It should match your lashes—not your eyes. For evening, you can deviate from this rule, providing, of course, you use the more colourful eye makeup with discretion.

FOR STRAITS AND INDIA

Gremer Apr. 16
Naldera Apr. 18
Menestheus Apr. 22
La Plata Maru Apr. 23

FOR AUSTRALIA

Change Apr. 21

VIA SIBERIA—Letters and post-
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warded by the first service available.

Alterations In The Home

HARDBOARD NOW POPULAR

SOME USEFUL HINTS



Maureen O'Sullivan, the screen actress, thinks a fur coat is ideal for early Spring wear. Her swaggy type Persian lamb coat features a cord fastening worn under the collar that may also be worn as a belt.

Many small alterations which would improve the appearance and comforts of a house are often neglected because of the cost of redecorating afterwards. This is especially true of alterations or additions to the woodwork of a room, for the new paint on them, however skilfully it is matched, can never look the same as the old paintwork. So when the decision is made, as so often happens in the spring, that the time for redecorating has come, the best plan is to consider before the decorators are called in what alterations or additions are needed to the woodwork of the rooms.

Often in a living-room there are alcoves on either side of the fireplace which can be filled in to the height of the mantel-piece, thus making two excellent low cupboard boards and a useful, pleasing-looking ledge which runs the length of the wall. A bedroom recess can be filled up to the ceiling to make a large linen cupboard or it can be built the height of a wardrobe and take the place of that piece of furniture. Sometimes alternative heating apparatus has been installed in a corner of the kitchen and proves as indispensable in use as it is ugly in appearance. By boarding it in the kitchen can be restored to its former neat appearance and a good cupboard thus made for the housing of brooms and sweepers.

Modernising Doors

When such additions to the woodwork have been decided upon, use can be made of one of the many kinds of hardboard now on the market. Hardboard is wooden sheeting which has been made from compressed wood pulp. It can be used in the same way as plywood and it has many advantages over the other cheap woods which are often used on small carpentering jobs. It never shifts or warps; it is easy to saw and can be worked and sandpapered. When painted it has a smooth, plain finish which goes well with modern furnishing. And it is cheap to buy.

An excellent use can be made of hardboard for modernising the doors in old houses. Old-fashioned doors often have a number of grooved panels which collect dust and make the door look ornate and fussy, especially in contrast to plain modern furniture. Before the decorations are done the doors of a room can be brought up to date by covering the entire surface of each door with a piece of plain hardboard. If a carpenter is called in this job costs about twelve shillings for a door, so that if one has sufficient skill to do the work oneself the expense of such a renovation is very small indeed.

WHEN A COLD BEGINS

Most medical authorities agree that an alkaline condition has to be created in the system before the progress of a cold can be stopped.

In that case it is always wise in the first stages of a cold to avoid sweets and starchy foods.

Add to the diet a large amount of fruit, especially acid fruits such as grapes and oranges.

SHORTER SKIRTS RETURN

Stopped At Smart Length

An interesting fashion trend featured by one firm is the return to much shorter skirts for day wear.

Although they are inches shorter than they have been for seasons, they have stopped at the smart length and have not reverted to the ugly "just below the knee" style. Heaven forbid that should happen again!

Evening dress lengths are different, too. This year they all include a train effect at the back, while the front hem, instead of touching the ground, now clears the floor by several inches.

This makes dancing much easier and looks equally as graceful as last season's "floor sweepers."

Waistline

Many trains are sunray pleated, and pleating has been introduced in the sleeves and elsewhere on many day and evening gowns.

A further fashion point to remember for the coming season is not to forget the importance of the waistline.

To be smart, see that you accentuate your waist by wearing a conspicuous belt. Worn extremely wide, of suede kid or patent leather, the new belts include many heraldic and fanciful designs in chromium.



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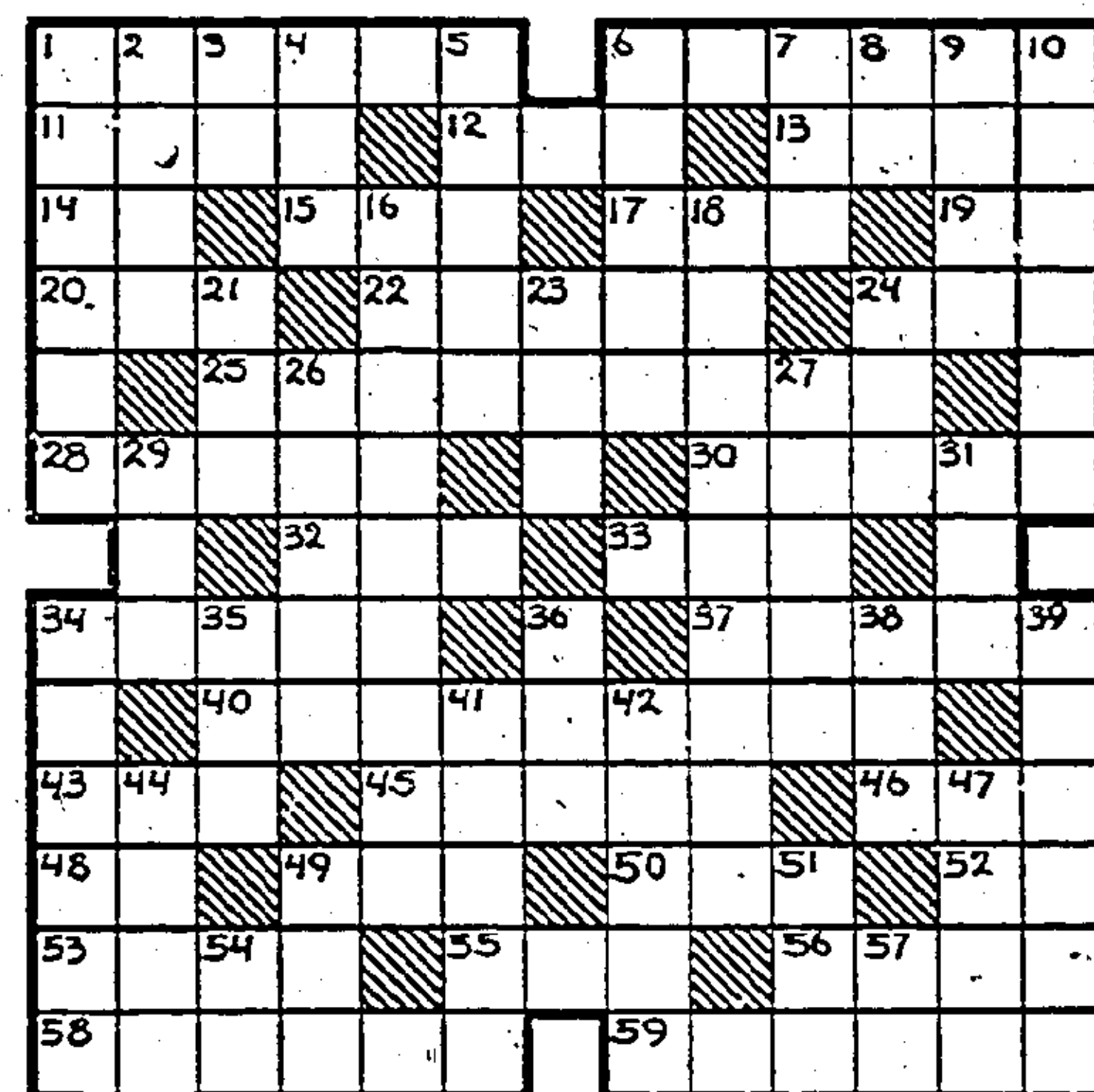
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL

1-Alteration
6-Endured
11-Tardy
12-Bustle
13-Small particle
14-Part of the verb "to be"
15-Oscillate
17-A metal
19-Conjunction
20-Series
22-Bird homes
24-An insect
25-Movable chassis that descend to an heir
27-Hot vapor
30-Colloped with a swinging motion
32-Strike gently
33-Same as Tale
34-To meet and salute
37-A Russian title (pl.)
40-Hatred
43-Swiss river

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

45-Made of oats
46-Female sheep
49-Six
49-A province of Canada (abbr.)
50-Grow old
52-Upon
53-Paradise
55-Consumed
56-A land measure
58-Repulses
59-Burns with hot liquid

VERTICAL

1-Seizes
2-Part of a horse's harness
3-Preposition
4-Recent
5-Anxious
6-A game
7-Evil
8-Preposition
9-English school

VERTICAL (Cont.)

10-Started suddenly
16-Liveliness
18-Placing in a detached position
21-Definite article
23-Cunning
24-Serpent
26-Consumed
27-Damp
29-Sailor
31-Make a mistake
34-More serious
35-Fruit-bearing part of a coral plant
36-Very warm
38-Affirmative vote
41-Couples
42-Feats
43-Military assistant
47-A forest
49-Unit
51-Epoch
54-Epileptic (abbr.)
57-Suffix denoting oil

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue.

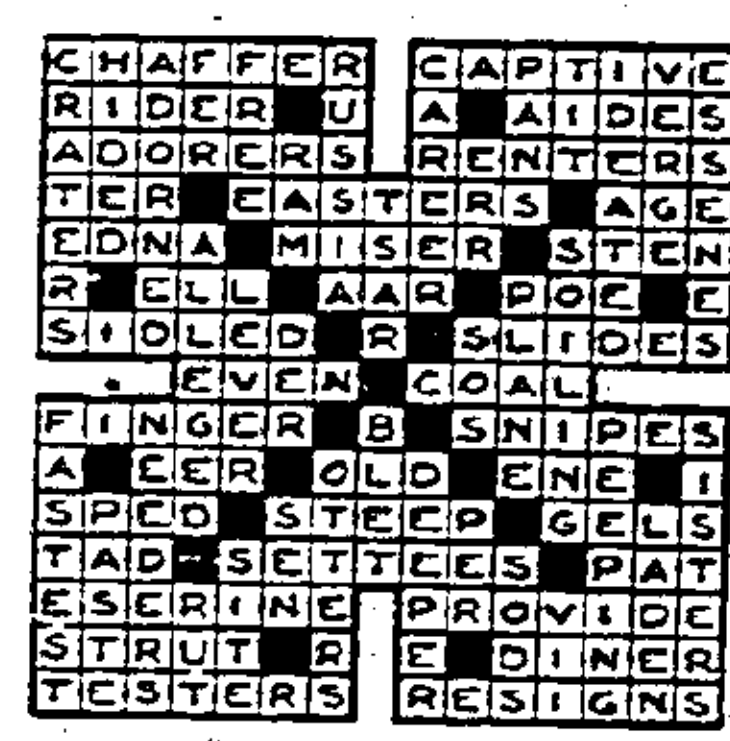
LINED CURTAINS

For Use In The Town

In town houses window-curtains are exposed to a good deal of dust and soot, and if they are made of velvet or other substantial material the cost of frequent dry-cleaning is considerable.

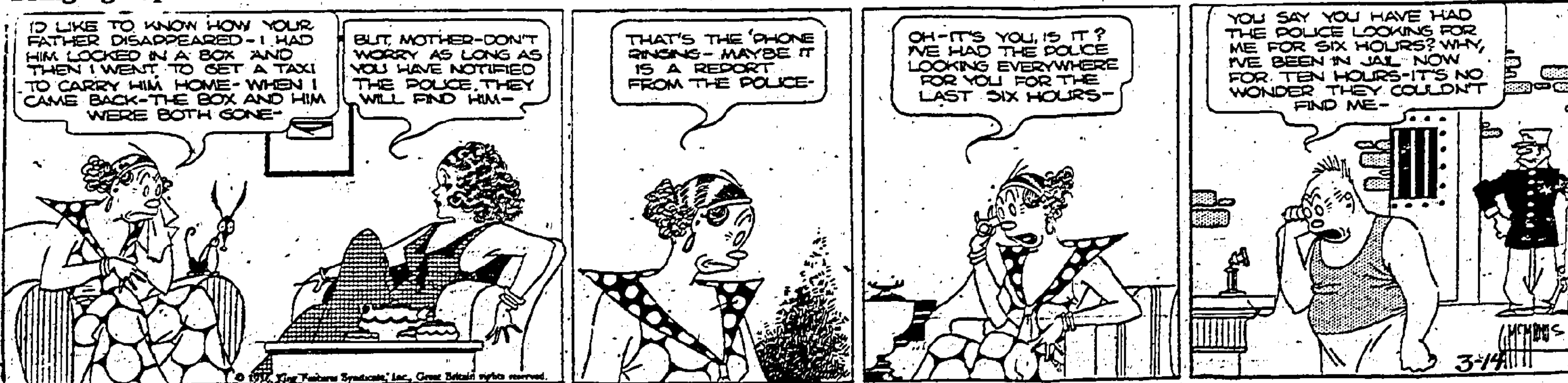
It is well worth while to have detachable linings made from inexpensive washable casement-cloth. These linings, if carefully tacked in by hand, may easily be removed for washing when soiled. They are a great protection to the curtains, and soon save their cost. A shade of casement-cloth that looks neat and suitable when seen

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



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By Order of the Board of Directors.

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Hong Kong 8th April, 1936.

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Peak Hotel	1,305
Taikoo Sanatorium	1,000
Mt. Davis	877
Bowen Road (filterbeds)	297

MAINLAND

	Feet
Taimoshan	2,124
Kowloon Peak	1,971

BRIDGE NOTES

Raising Partner's Suit Bid

By Ely Culbertson

As soon as a player has thoroughly digested opening suit bid requirements, and how to choose between biddable suits, he is ready to "tackle" a more difficult phase of bidding: When to raise partner's suit bid.

In principle, raises are based on the number of supporting winners in the responding hand. The player who makes the first bid is called the opening bidder; his partner is the responder, or responding hand.

In practice, however, it is easier and simpler to base raises on case methods, which involve three separate factors:

1. Adequate trump support.
2. Honour tricks.
3. Short suits.

Before discussing these factors individually let me emphasize that, in speaking of "raising partner's suit bid," I am using the term literally and am not yet taking up the various other bids that responding hand can make.

No matter how strong the responding hand is, no raise should be given without adequate trump support. Partner's opening bid may be based on a minimum four card suit. To support, or raise him, you must have at least four small cards in his suit, or the queen and two small ones.

You may give your partner one raise—that is, from one to two of his suit—if holding adequate trump support and one honour-trick if your hand contains a singleton; 1½ honour tricks if your hand contains a doubleton; two honour tricks even if you have no short suit (4-3-3-3).

Today's hand offers a striking illustration of a defender's "blind spot."

South, dealer.

Neither side vulnerable.

S-7 5	N-9 8 6 2
H-Q 5 2	W-E H-J 4
D-A K 9 6	D-Q 10 8
C-Q 7 5 2	C-J 10 9 8
S-K Q J 10	S-A 4 3
H-K 10 9 8	H-A 7 6 3
D-7 4 2	D-J 5 3
C-8 3	C-A K 4

The bidding:

South West North East
1 NT Pass 3 NT (final bid)

West opened the spade king. The declarer held off the first two rounds of spades, winning the third with his ace and discarding a heart from dummy. He then played the ace and king of clubs from his own hand and then the ace and king of diamonds from dummy. A third round of diamonds was won by East's queen, and it was at this point that the crucial play was involved.

East knew, by simple arithmetic, that his partner could have only one more spade. Also that he was out of diamonds and, probably, of clubs as well, since the declarer had clearly kept dummy's club queen for an entry. East-West needed two more tricks to defeat the contract. Yet East carelessly led the spade and poor West was forced to give declarer two heart tricks for his contract. Either a heart or a club lead by East would have assured the defenders five tricks.

ALAN HALE stands out in his role of police inspector, and Wallace Ford, who as a newspaper reporter tries to aid Hale in solving the crime, registers a convincing performance. Gail Patrick and Erin O'Brien Moore are alluring women of mystery. Eric Blore turns in an arresting performance as a harassed and frightened butler who is suspected of having killed his employer, and Erik Rhodes furnishes comedy relief as a hysterical foreign violinist. Leslie Fenton has an important role.

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Literally sprinkled with action and comedy, this picture is a sophisticated drama of the modern girl, and her adventures in the business of love.

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(Radio will be found on Page 10).

Amusements

Cinema Notes

"THREE LIVE GHOSTS"—KING'S THEATRE

This picture features Richard Arlen in the leading role and is a story of three soldiers who escape from a German prison camp and make their way to London, to discover that they have been officially listed as "dead." For varying reasons they decide to remain hidden under the cloak of anonymity, and proceed to go on a hilarious rampage through the city. Their adventures are funny, romantic and exciting.

With Arlen is a notable cast including Beryl Mercer, Claude Allister, Charles McNaughton, Cecilia Parker, Dudley Digges, Nydia Westman, Jonathan Hale, Lillian Cooper and Robert Greig. Adapted from the famous novel and play by Frederick S. Isham, the photoplay was produced by John W. Considine, Jr., and directed by H. Bruce Humberstone. The screen play was written by C. Gardner Sullivan.

"THE MILKY WAY"—QUEEN'S THEATRE

Harold Lloyd timidly makes his way from milkman obscurity to fighting fame in his new Paramount picture, "The Milky Way."

He bridges the gap between self-doubt and the instincts of the killer. Trouble comes to the spectacled comedian when two drunken fighters take a dislike to him. One swings at him but Lloyd, both frightened and fast on his feet, manages to duck. The middle-weight champion gets the full brunt of the blow intended for the milkman, and is knocked out.

Lloyd takes credit for the punch, and henceforth must make good and repeat his prowess in the ring as a title contender. Hilarity is the keynote of this picture.

The supporting cast of players consists of Adolphe Menjou, Verree Teasdale, Helen Mack, William Gargan, Dorothy Wilson and George Harbier.

The direction was handled by Leo MacCarey, who calls Lloyd the most genuine comedian of the century.

"TWO IN THE DARK"—ALHAMBRA THEATRE

This pulsating drama is based on an original story by Gelett Burgess and features Margot Grahame and Walter Abel in the leading parts.

Miss Grahame and Abel head a first-rate cast. Abel does a splendid job of portraying a mentally sick victim who is justifiably suspected of a heinous crime, while Miss Grahame gives a highly commendable performance as the frightened show-girl who sees the man she loves become entangled in a net of damaging circumstances.

Alan Hale stands out in his role of police inspector, and Wallace Ford, who as a newspaper reporter tries to aid Hale in solving the crime, registers a convincing performance. Gail Patrick and Erin O'Brien Moore are alluring women of mystery. Eric Blore turns in an arresting performance as a harassed and frightened butler who is suspected of having killed his employer, and Erik Rhodes furnishes comedy relief as a hysterical foreign violinist. Leslie Fenton has an important role.

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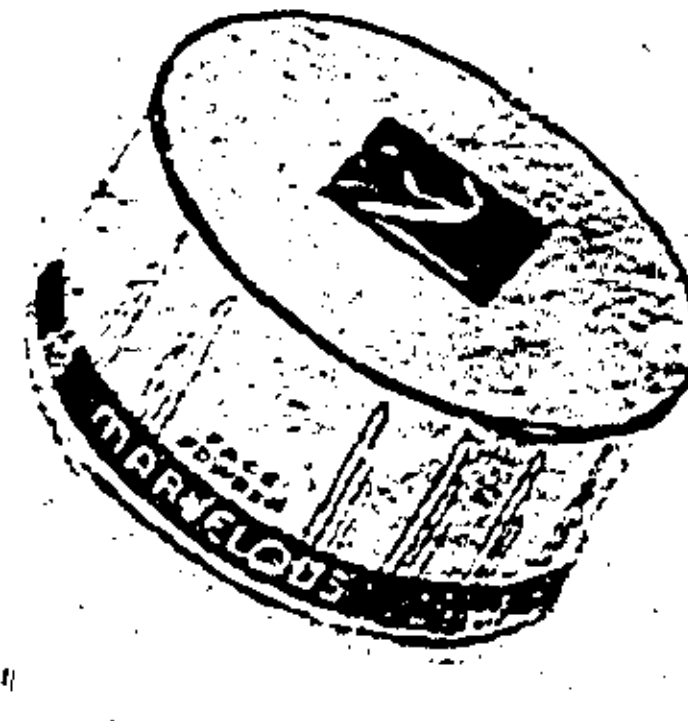
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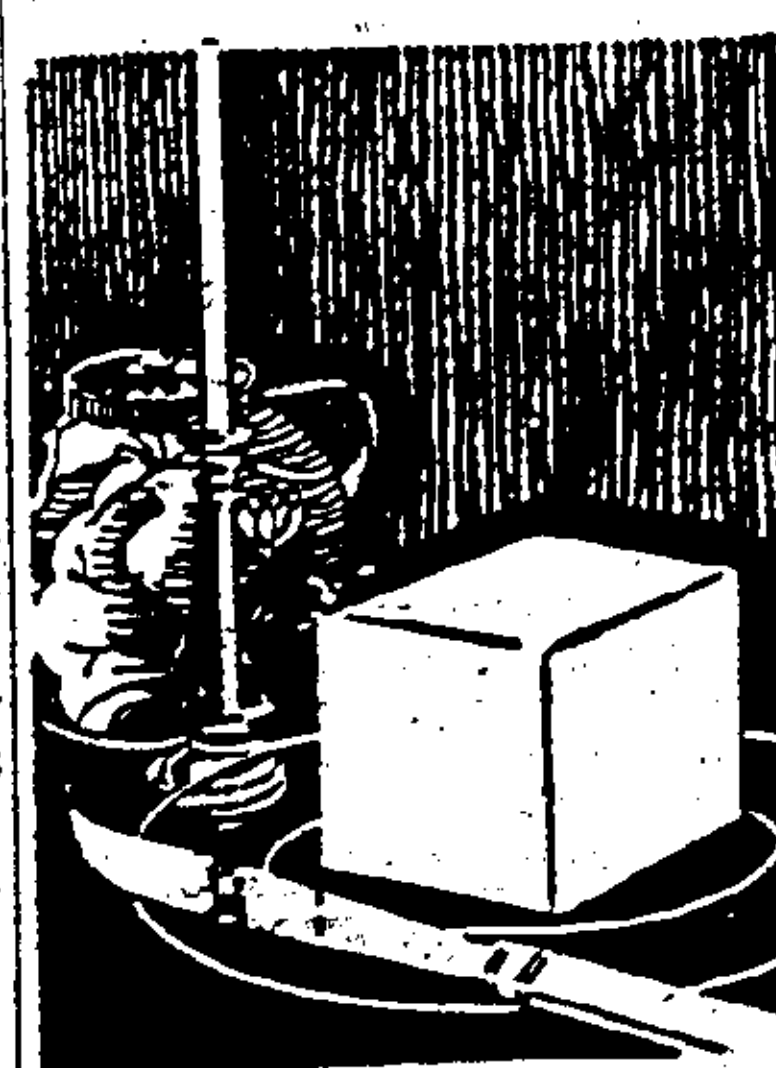
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Taking part in the wild goings-on are Walter Connolly, Billie Burke, Lloyd Nolan, Wallace Ford, James Blakely and Donald Meek. Tay Garnett directed "She Couldn't Take It" from a screen play prepared by Oliver H. P. Garrett, based on a story by Gene Towne and Graham Baker.

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Sporting Page



CHINA'S WORLD OLYMPIC FOOTBALL PLAYERS SELECTED

TSUI BROTHERS IN FINAL LEE AND LUK COLLAPSE IN FIFTH SET SURPRISINGLY LOW STANDARD FOR LONG PERIODS

(By "BASE-LINE")
TENNIS of a surprisingly low standard was served up for long periods in the Colony Doubles Championship Semi-Final tie between Tsui Wai-pui and Tsui Yan-pui and Lee Wai-tong and Luk Ding-cheong, which the former won in five sets, at the H.K.C.C. yesterday.

The winners, who, incidentally, beat the Rumjahn cousins in an earlier round, were obviously the better equipped pair, but they were lucky to win after being forced completely out of their stride for four-fifths of the match. Only in the last set, when the light was deplorable and when their opponents had given up hope, did we see flashes of the form that eliminated the holders.

Lee and Luk showed very poor understanding and as a result lost a valuable lead of 5-3 in the first set, the winning of which might quite easily have turned the scales in their favour.

The most impressive player on Final, and their supporters can be assured that they will be seen in favour to win this year's title to better advantage against this pair. He pulled off the best pair. It is going to be a very close match and was not close match with the odds slightly in favour of the Tsuis.

lob that came his way during the encounter. In the fourth set, however, he lost his grip on the game, but he came back splendidly in the final set, when he seemed to produce an ace at will.

Tsui Yan-pui was very weak overhead and allowed himself to be forced into playing his opponents' game—with disastrous results. He was well covered by his brother and as a consequence never really lost control of his shots.

Angle Volleying Overdone
Lee rather overdid his clever angle volleying and drop shots—the Tsuis were seldom caught, their anticipation being very sound, and the gap between Lee and Luk as a result was too big to be ignored. Luk was badly at fault on numerous occasions when he neglected to watch his side-line.

BOROTRA DECLINES TO LEAD DAVIS CUP TEAM

Pressure Of Business Said Responsible

Paris, April 9.—Jean Borotra, France's "Bouncing Basque," today declined to accept the captaincy of the French 1936 Davis Cup tennis team.

Borotra, a veteran of Davis Cup competition, declined because of the pressure of business. —United Press.

when the return from one of Lee's drop shots was obviously going in that direction. Lee's lobbing was not as deep as it might have been, while he seldom attempted an overhead smash, though presented with countless opportunities for doing so.

Luk gave a very patchy exhibition—there were times when he was a class above the others, but more often than not he badly disappointed through what appeared to be lack of concentration.

Unusual Opposition
Baffled by unusually slow returns, the Tsui brothers were soon 5-3 down in the first set, but they rallied well, and playing on Luk throughout, took four games in a row for the first set. Then they attempted angle volleying and drop shots and thus played into the hands of their opponents, who levelled the match after seven games. In the third set there was little doubt that the Tsuis would again lead, but they lost their advantage when, as the result of poor overhead work by both players, they dropped the fourth set in the tenth game after being led 4-2. In the final set the winners showed their real form and, despite plucky resistance from Lee, won set and match in the seventh game after only 12 minutes' play.

The Tsuis will now meet E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung in the

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

Tsui Wai-pui and Tsui Yan-pui beat Lee Wai-tong and Luk Ding-cheong 5-3, 1-6, 6-3, 4-5, 6-1.
Club Championship (Semi-Final)
L. Goldman beat A. L. Sullivan 6-4, 6-2, 6-0.

Club Handicap Doubles (Third Round)
W. P. Lucy and R. A. Phillimore (3-6) beat T. C. Monaghan and E. J. McMullen (3-6) 6-4, 4-6, 6-3.

TO-DAY'S TENNIS

RUMJAHN FOR FINAL?

BETTER EQUIPPED THAN LAI

(By "BASE-LINE")
H. D. Rumjahn has for the past 12 years had one prize to show following the Colony Lawn Tennis Championships, but to-day he will have to beat Lai Kwong-tsun in the semi-final of the Singles event if he is to save a remarkable sequence from being broken.

The defeat of the cousins in the Open Doubles after 11 years' supremacy has only tended to increase H. D.'s determination to win the singles event, and his chances are bright.

In stroke production Rumjahn is Lai's superior, and for steadiness there are few to match him. He has boundless experience and considerably better court-craft, and I shall be greatly surprised if Lai breaks down his solid defence.

If Rumjahn wins he will enter the Final for the first time in his career.

The following is to-day's programme, commencing at 4.30 p.m., at the H.K.C.C.:

Open Singles (Semi-Final)
H. D. Rumjahn v. Lai Kwong-tsun (Stand Court).
Club Handicap Doubles (Third Round)
G. S. and J. Rodger (4-6) v. A. C. I. Bowker and A. K. Mackenzie (Scr.).
B. O'M. Deane and G. E. R. Divett (1-6) v. H. R. Butters and D. Macdonald (4-6).

POMPEY DRAW

Stockport Win At Walsall

London, To-day.
The following were the results of the League football matches played yesterday:—

FIRST DIVISION
Huddersfield 1 Portsmouth 1
Wednesday 0 Middlesbrough 0
SECOND DIVISION
Bradford 1 Barnsley 1
THIRD DIVISION (South)
Coventry 3 Swindon 1
Bristol R. 3 Torquay 0
THIRD DIVISION (North)
Mansfield 3 Gateshead 1
Walsall 0 Stockport 1.



Jock McAvoy, British contender for the light-heavyweight boxing championship of the world, did not have much to say before his title bout, resting on his record of 33 knock-outs. The Englishman met John Henry Lewis, the title holder, at New York on March 13 last, but lost a keen fight on points.

ALL-IMPORTANT SENIOR LEAGUE SOCCER CLASH

CHAMPIONS MEET ATHLETIC TO-DAY

WILL DECIDE FIRST DIVISION

(By "REFEREE")

A First Division League football match of great importance will take place this afternoon on the Caroline Hill ground, where South China "A", the present League champions, meet Chinese Athletic in their "Derby" encounter.

The Athletic have not yet finally selected their team, as either Ho Chor-yin or Lai Kwok-chiu will fill the right-half berth. Otherwise the team remains unchanged from last Saturday, when they lost to the Club.

South China "A" will not be fielding any of the newcomers from Shanghai or Malaya, but have dropped Lai Shiu-wing from the inside-right position in favour of Chan Kwai-liang, while Wong Mee-shun has been reinstated in the pivoted berth.

To-day's teams are:—

Athletic:—Cheung Wing-choy; Fu Kar-hing and Mak Shui-hon; Ho Chor-yin or Lai Kwok-chiu, Chui Ah-fai and Chan Hung-kwong; Tang Kwong-sun, Yeung Kan-po, Wong Wing-hong, Suen Kam-suen and "Darky" Chan.

South China "A":—Wong Wing; Lee Ting-sang and Tam Kong-pak; Leung Wing-chiu, Wong Mee-shun and Lee Kwok-wai; Tso Kwai-shing, Chan Kwai-liang, Fung King-cheong, Lee Wai-tong and Ip Pak-wah.

PRESENTATION NIGHT

BADMINTON ASSOC. SEASON ENDS

GOVERNOR PROMISES TO ATTEND

An attractive programme has been arranged for the Hong Kong Badminton Association's Presentation Night, which will take place at Club de Recreio, King's Park on Saturday, April 25, commencing at 8.30 p.m.

The programme consists of exhibition games which will be followed by a dance. His Excellency the Governor, Sir Andrew Caldecott, has promised to attend and will arrive in time to witness the Men's Doubles, following which he will distribute the prizes won during the season.

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NO BONES BROKEN IN MCAVOY'S HAND

New York, March 17.—It was announced that the X-rays of McAvoy's right hand, which he injured during his fight with John Henry Lewis last Friday, revealed that no bones were broken. McAvoy will therefore have to England tomorrow for his engagement with Jack Petersen at Earl's Court on April 23.

HOME RUGBY SCORES

Programme Of Nine Matches

London, To-day.
The results of the Rugby Union matches played yesterday were as follows:—

Exeter	12	Leicester	24
Lydney	3	Gloucester	3
Newport	11	Barbarians	11
Pontypool	21	London Welsh	5
Bristol	10	Devonport	8
Cardiff	8	Coventry	8
Waterloo	18	Halifax	0
Llanelli	14	Abertawe	0
Torquay	3	Old Blues	3

—Reuter.

OPEN FOURSOMES AT KOWLOON

Third Round Results

The following were the results of the Third Round matches in the Open Foursomes competition played over the Kowloon course:—
W. A. Stewart and G. Milne beat T. Henderson and W. Orr 5 and 3.

A. T. Braley and A. L. Eastman beat H. C. Mancell and A. Anderson 2 and 1.
J. D. Thomson and D. C. Wilson beat H. H. Mundy and W. Stoker 2 and 1.
W. C. Simpson and T. D. Paton beat A. J. Dennis and E. O. Murphy 3 and 1.

RE-ARRANGED LEAGUE FOOTBALL FIXTURES

In addition to the South China "A" — Athletic First Division clash to-day, the Navy will meet Kowloon at Causeway Bay, and the Fusiliers will encounter the Saints at Sookunpoo, all matches commencing at 5.15 p.m. In the Second Division the Athletic will entertain the Navy at 3.15 p.m. at Caroline Hill.

MCAVOY SEEKS RETURN FIGHT WITH LEWIS

UNMARKED AFTER SEVERE BARRAGE

NEGRO'S SUPERIOR STAMINA

New York, March 16.

Jock McAvoy's right hand, which was injured in his world title fight with John Henry Lewis, to whom he lost on points at Madison Square Garden last night, was examined by a doctor this morning.

His hand is very swollen, but it was impossible to say whether any bones were broken. McAvoy will undergo an X-ray examination, and if his hand is not broken he will sail on Wednesday for England, in order to fulfil his engagement with Jack Petersen, at the Empire Stadium on April 23. McAvoy's manager, Mr. Dave Lumiansky, stated that he is already negotiating for a return contest with Lewis. "We are going after Petersen and will return immediately after that for a return bout with Lewis," said Mr. Lumiansky. "Lewis has agreed to a return fight."

(Continued on Page 5)

Programme For Fourth Extra Race Meeting

The following is the programme for the Fourth Extra Race Meeting of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, to be held at the Valley on Saturday, May 2:

1.—2.00 P.M.—Charters Towers Handicap.—Winner \$450. Second \$250. Third \$150. For Australian Ponies, "B" Class. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. One Mile.
2.—2.30 P.M.—Mount Davis Handicap.—First Section.—Winner \$450. Second \$250. Third \$100. For China Ponies, "C" Class. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. One Mile.

3.—3.00 P.M.—Mount Parker Handicap.—Winner \$550. Second \$250. Third \$150. For China Ponies, "A" Class. Winners of \$5,000 or more in stakes since 1st January, 1936, barred. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. One and a Quarter Miles.
4.—3.30 P.M.—The "Hunchbacks" Plate.—Winner \$400. Second \$175. Third \$100. For China Ponies, Subscription Grifins of this Club of this season. Winner barred. Weight: 150 lb. 1 lb. penalty for every \$100 or part thereof won in stakes. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. Five Furlongs.

5.—4.00 P.M.—High West Handicap.—Winner \$500. Second \$225. Third \$125. For China Ponies, "B" Class. Jockey Allowance \$5. and a Quarter Miles.
6.—4.30 P.M.—Mount Davis Handicap.—Second Section.—Winner \$450. Second \$200. Third \$100. For China Ponies, "C" Class. Jockey Allowance \$5. One Mile.
7.—5.00 P.M.—Tai-Mo-Shan Handicap.—Winner \$400. Second \$175. Third \$100. For China Ponies, "D" Class. Ponies that have won more than \$450 in stakes since 1st January, 1936, and Subscription Grifins of this season that have not won a race, barred. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. Six Furlongs.
8.—5.30 P.M.—Canterbury Park Handicap.—Winner \$450. Second \$250. Third \$150. For Australian Ponies, "A" Class. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. One and a Quarter Miles.
9.—6.00 P.M.—Mount Gough Handicap.—Winner \$400. Second \$175. Third \$100. For China Ponies, "D" Class. Ponies that have won \$450 or less in stakes since 1st January, 1936, barred. To be ridden by Jockeys who have not won ten races anywhere at any time. No Whips or Spurs allowed. Entrance \$5. Six Furlongs. Daily Double Events—Fifth and Seventh Races.
Entries close at Noon on Thursday, April 23.

FOURTEEN FROM S. CHINA A.A.

SHANGHAI, MALAYA AND JAVA PLAYERS CHOSEN

VERY SOUND COMBINATION

(By "REFEREE")

A special meeting of the All-China World Olympic Football Selection Committee yesterday afternoon at the Hotel Cecil, 22 players representing the best available Chinese talent were selected for the Berlin Olympic Games. The party will probably leave Hong Kong for Shanghai on Monday next, leaving the Northern port on May 2 for Germany, via Saigon, Java, Malaya and India.

The South China Athletic Association, who supplied the majority of the players for the all-conquering Hong Kong team at the recent China National Games at the Civic Centre in Shanghai, have been specially honoured in that no less than 14 players from that body are among the 22 selected, the others being equally divided between the Chinese Athletic Association and from overseas Chinese Clubs.

There are several surprise selections and of these Yeung Shui-yick, the versatile South China "E" right and left-winger, is the biggest. I do not say that he did not deserve this unique honour, but he is undoubtedly the smallest of the 22 players. The other surprise is another South China "E" player, Cheuk Shek-kam, who has only this year come into prominence. However, he has performed brilliantly and should do as well as the others.

That famous quartette Lee Tin-sang, Tam Kong-pak, Fung King-cheong and Ip Pak-wa were among the certainities, while Lee Wai-tong, China's soccer idol, was a certainty as far back as the National Games, although he was also balloted for in the usual manner.

No Partiality
In connection with the selection, it is only fair to point out that although Lee Wai-tong was selected by the Chinese National Amateur Athletic Federation to build up a team and to "keep his eyes open," he refrained from taking an active part in the actual selecting, thereby exonerating himself from any suspicion of partiality. The selection of Wong Ki-leung (Wong Wing) and Pau Kaping as the two goalkeepers came as no surprise, for there has not been any custodian to challenge either. The four full-backs have been wisely selected, with the exception of Chua Boon Lay, of Malaya, who failed to display the same form in the recent games he has taken part in, which he displayed at the National Games. However, Boon Lay is probably the most experienced of the four backs and has played for a great number of years. China's two full-backs in the Olympic Games will almost certainly be Lee Tin-sang and Tam Kong-pak, with Mak Shui-hon, of the Athletic, as first reserve, and Roon Lay as second reserve.

Wong Mee-shun's Selection
The selection of Wong Mee-shun was not altogether a surprise as the Selection Committee had probably heard of the bustling methods of some of the European teams, and particularly those of the Argentine, Hungary and France, and with this in view Wong's weight should be useful. Tsui Ah-fai, and Chan Chan-wo (Darlie Chan) are worthy of their places and should make the team, while the remaining place will fall either to Lee Kwok-wai, Wong Mee-shun or Leung Wing-chiu, all of South China. Leung Shiu-tong, of Three Cultures, Shanghai, has also been selected, although he is by no means in the same class as the others.

South China's Attack?
Of the 10 forwards selected, the All-China attack is likely to be the South China "A" forward line, unless some of these players greatly deteriorate before the first clash in the Olympic Games. There are three players who qualify for the outside-right berth, and of these Yeung Shui-yick and Chia U Liang, of Three Cultures, are the pick. I have seen Tso Kwai-shing these past two seasons and, although he has performed well, he has not the determination and the tactics of the other two. The Shanghai player has been the most impressive of the three to date and has great possibilities of making the team.

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Chinese Olympic Soccer Team
The 22 selected players are:—
GOALKEEPERS
Wong Ki-leung (S.C.A.A.)
Pau Kaping (S.C.A.A.)
FULL-BACKS
Lee Tin-sang (S.C.A.A.)
Tam Kong-pak (S.C.A.A.)
Mak Shui-hon (C.A.A.)
Chua Boon Lay (S.C.R.C.)
HALF-BACKS
Tsui Ah-fai (C.A.A.)
Wong Mee-shun (S.C.A.A.)
Lee Kwok-wai (S.C.A.A.)
Chan Chan-wo (C.A.A.)
Leung Shiu-tong (Three Cultures)
Leung Wing-chiu (S.C.A.A.)
FORWARDS
Tso Kwai-shing (S.C.A.A.)
Chai U Liang (Three Cultures)
Yeung Shui-yick (S.C.A.A.)
Tio Hian Guan (J.C.F.C.)
Suen Kam-shun (C.A.A.)
Fung King-cheong (S.C.A.A.)
Lee Wai-tong (S.C.A.A.)
Cheuk Shek-kam (S.C.A.A.)
Ip Pak-wa (S.C.A.A.)
Chan Kwai-liang (S.C.A.A.)

The Selection
The selection was made by Dr. C. C. Yung of Shanghai, Mr. Ngau Shing-kwan (chairman Hong Kong Branch N.A.A.F.) and Mr. Chow Kaki (representing the General Secretary of the N.A.A.F.). These players will take part in the final trials in Hong Kong tomorrow against the United Services and on Sunday in two matches against representative teams of the Hong Kong Football Association.

Provisional Elections
The following are provisional nominations:
Manager — Mr. Wong Ka-tsun (S.C.A.A.).
Coach — Mr. Ngan Shing-kwan (C.A.A.F.).
Captain — Mr. Lee Wai-tong (S.C.A.A.).

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- C 211.—Blue Danube waltz..... Debroy Somers Band.
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IMPORTANT
SUGGESTION AT
L.T.A. MEETINGAPPOINTING OFFICIALS FOR
CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES

1936 OFFICERS ELECTED

An important recommendation was made at the annual general meeting of the affiliated Clubs of the Hong Kong Lawn Tennis Association yesterday evening, when Mr. J. A. Bendall proposed that a letter be forwarded to the Hong Kong Cricket Club to the effect that the Association be allowed to appoint umpires and linesmen for all exhibition, games and championship matches.

In the unavoidable absence of the Hon. Mr. Justice R. E. Lindell, President of the Association, Mr. M. K. Lo, Vice-President, was elected to the chair. He was supported by Mr. C. J. Tacchi (Hon. Secretary), Mr. D. S. Green (Hon. Treasurer), and Captain R. L. Ingpen and Mr. A. el Arculli (Members of the Executive Committee).

Among others present were Messrs. W. J. Howard (Craigengower), S. A. Rumjahn (I.R.C.), Lau Yue-chuen (University Tennis Club) and Major H. H. Joseph (U.S.R.C.).

Net Loss For Year

Mr. M. K. Lo gave a short resume of the activities of the Association for the year under review and stated that the result of the year's working showed a net loss of \$357.65, although the Association's surplus funds stood at \$1,982.41, which was considered satisfactory.

The following officers were re-elected for the ensuing season:—President—Mr. Justice R. E. Lindell.

Vice-President—Mr. Ng Sze-kwong.
Hon. Secretary—Mr. C. J. Tacchi.
Hon. Treasurer—Mr. D. S. Green.
Hon. League Secretary—Mr. F. A. Broadbridge.
Executive Committee: Capt. R. L. Ingpen, Mr. E. de Souza, Mr.

“HUSH HUSH” POLICY
IN BRITISH GOLFPROBABLE CANDIDATES
FOR CURTIS CUP TEAM

FORMER CHAMPION OMITTED

(By “Fair Field”)

London, March 11.

THOUGH the names of the 16 women players chosen to take part in the British Curtis Cup trials are being kept a “dead secret,” I am able to announce that among those invited, five are reigning champions.

One is Miss Wanda Morgan, British champion; another Mrs. Marjorie Garon, the new English champion and a third Miss Robertson-Durham, Scottish champion.

Miss Isabella Reuben, Welsh champion, will also be at Gleneagles next week to compete in the series of matches to decide the team to meet America in the Curtis Cup next May.

In order not to confuse or influence the minds of the Selection Committee it has been asked that criticisms of the performances of the invited players should be avoided.

The policy of “hush hush,” an entirely new departure in British sport, is one that is almost certain to defeat its own ends—as the Football League discovered.

Scottish golfers are up in arms against these secret methods.

Miss Gourlay's Omission
Others who have been invited are Mrs. J. B. Walker, who won the New Zealand championship last year; Miss Phyllis Wade, Miss Pamela Barton, Miss Kathleen Garnham and two Scottish girls, Miss Jessie Anderson, and Miss Nan Baird.

Considerable surprise, however, will be occasioned at the absence of the name of Miss Molly Gourlay.

Miss Gourlay is a former English champion and has played in all the international matches.

FOURTEEN PLAYERS
FROM S.C.A.A.

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Tio Eian Guan, the Japanese-Chinese footballer, and Fung King-cheong, are the only two forwards good enough to fill the inside-right position, while Lee Wai-tong, Suen Kam-shun and Cheuk Shek-kam have all played at inside-left hitherto, the remaining two players, Ip Pak-wa and Chan Kwai-liang, being left-wingers.

Probable Lineup
What will probably happen is that either Chia or Yeung Shui-yick will fill the right-wing berth, while Cheuk Shek-kam, who is the next best inside forward, will be brought over to the inside-right berth, leaving the centre for Fung King-cheong, without a doubt the finest leader in China.

The inside-left berth will go to Lee Wai-tong, and the left-wing berth can be filled by either Ip Pak-wa or Chan Kwai-liang, who are as good as one another.

Team Itinerary
The team will sail for Shanghai next Monday and will play three or four games there, leaving on May 2 by the French mail steamer for Saigon, where they will participate in two or three games.

They will then sail for Java, via Singapore, arriving in Batavia on May 15. Nine or ten games will be played in Java before the team leave Batavia on June 3.

A tentative programme has been arranged for the period following their Java tour: two games in Singapore on June 6 and 7, and then one game at Medan, Penang, Rangoon and Calcutta. The team will travel across India by train, arriving in Bombay in time to catch the Italian mail steamer for Genoa. No further games will be played after the team's arrival at Genoa until the Olympic Games in Berlin.

MCAVOY SEEKS RETURN FIGHT
WITH LEWIS

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Except that his nose bled profusely from the second round following a barrage of blows to the face. McAvoy fought in short, sharp rushes. He tried to punish the negro's body, but Lewis generally covered up well and boxed very cleverly. Lewis' superior stamina told in the second half of

CORRESPONDENCE

INTER-CLUB GOLF

[To the Editor, “China Mail”]

Dear Sir,—An argument in our Clubhouse the other night has prompted me to ask if you could settle a friendly wager by publishing the results to date of the bi-annual golf matches between Happy Valley and Kowloon. The last match in which series took place last Friday.

INTERESTED.

The following have been the results of the 17 matches played to date:—

October, 1935—Kowloon won at Kowloon by 14 points to 7.
January, 1936—Valley won at the Valley by 15½ points to 13½.

November, 1935—Match cancelled owing to the Valley being unable to raise a team.

May, 1937—Kowloon won at the Valley by 25½ points to 9½.

May, 1938—Kowloon won at Kowloon by 22½ points to 12½.

July, 1939—Valley won at the Valley by 13½ points to 10½.

January, 1930—Kowloon won at Kowloon by 26½ points to 8½.

April, 1930—Kowloon won at the Valley by 18 points to 7.

April, 1931—Valley won at Kowloon by 20½ points to 12½.

May, 1931—Valley won at the Valley by 23 points to 12½.

July, 1932—Kowloon won at Kowloon by 19½ points to 14½.

October, 1932—Kowloon won at the Valley by 19½ points to 15½.

April, 1932—Kowloon won at Kowloon by 20½ points to 11½.

October, 1933—Valley won at the Valley by 16½ points to 12½.

March, 1934—Kowloon won at Kowloon by 20½ points to 13.

April 1935—Valley won at Kowloon by 17½ points to 16½.

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April, 1936—Kowloon won at the Valley by 22½ points to 7½.

SUNDERLAND
CHAMPIONSHOME SOCCER TITLE
ALMOST DECIDED

CLUBS FOR RELEGATION

London, Yesterday.
Sunderland with 54 points, are practically assured of the First Division English League Football championship, while Derby, their nearest rivals, have secured 46 points in as many fixtures. Both these teams have three games yet to play.

At this stage of the season it is difficult to determine the teams for relegation although those premier league Clubs which are near the bottom of the table are given as follows, with the number of games played and the points secured to date:—

CLUBS	GAMES	POINTS
Everton	39	35
Wolves	38	35
Grimsbey	39	35
Chelsea	37	35
Aston Villa	40	35
West Brom	37	34
Wednesday	37	34
Blackburn	39	29

the fight, when he did not lose a round from the seventh to the 14th.

By repeatedly getting through the Englishman's guard to the jaw, he took the eighth, ninth, 10th and 11th rounds, the 12th and 13th were about even, and McAvoy, rallying splendidly, won the last two.

INDIA'S CRICKET CAPTAIN

Great “Send Off” At New Delhi

New Delhi, March 18.—The Maharajkumar of Vizianagram, the captain of the Indian cricket team, left Delhi today for Benares and was given a hearty send off at the station by a large number of sportsmen, who cheered the Maharajkumar and wished him bon voyage and victory for India's team.

The Maharajkumar will stay in Benares for a few days, whence he proceeds to Bhopal, where other members of the team will assemble before embarkation on April 3 at Bombay.

SMALL UNITS'
CRICKETFINAL GAME AT THE
KOWLOON C.C.FUSILIERS GAIN SLIGHT
ADVANTAGE

The Final of the Small Units' cricket competition, which will be decided on two innings, between “B” Coy, Royal Welch Fusiliers, and Headquarters Wing, East Lancashire Regiment, opened at the Kowloon Cricket Club yesterday and at the close of play the Fusiliers found themselves 46 runs in arrears, with 8 wickets in hand.

The highest scorer of the day was Bdsn. Coster, of the East Lancs., who had 10 fours in his 69, while Lt. Clegg-Hill had 8 boundary hits in his innings for 45 runs.

The game will be resumed this morning at 9 o'clock, the scores at the close of play yesterday being as follows:—

“B” Coy. R. W. F.

Sergt. Scott, b Cox..... 0

Fus. Jones, b Whitehead..... 0

L/Cpl. Manchipp, at Cox, b Whitehead..... 26

Lt. Clegg-Hill, c Whitehead, b Botting..... 45

Fus. Wilson, b Botting..... 4

Fus. Dennis, c Sandford, b Whitehead..... 19

Fus. Talbot, b Cox..... 8

Cpl. Morgan, lbw, b Whitehead..... 0

Cpl. King, not out..... 27

C. Q. M. S. Price, c Coster, b Baker..... 11

Fus. Thomas, c and b Baker..... 1

Extras..... 6

Total..... 151

Bowling Analysis.....

Whitehead..... 14 3 52 4

Cox..... 10 2 43 2

Baker..... 6 1 28 2

Botting..... 9 2 22 2

H. Q. Wing, East Lancs.

Bdsn. Coster, at Manchipp, b Talbot..... 69

Pte. Sandford, c Clegg-Hill, b Wilson..... 39

Bdsn. Botting, lbw, b Talbot..... 0

L/Cpl. Whitehead, c Jones, b Dennis..... 12

Dennis..... 7

Bdsn. Cox, lbw, b Talbot..... 7

Pte. Baker, not out..... 33

Pte. Bevan, c King, b Wilson..... 15

Pte. Johnson, b Wilson..... 1

Pte. Francis, run out..... 1

Pte. Newey, st Manchipp, b King..... 1

Pte. Collings, c Manchipp, b King..... 3

Extras..... 15

Total..... 210

Bowling Analysis.....

King..... 13 0 73 2

Talbot..... 10 0 44 3

Clegg-Hill..... 1 0 7 0

Wilson..... 11 2 46 3

Dennis..... 4 1 12 1

Thomas..... 2 0 13 0

“B” Coy. R.W.F., 2nd Innings

Sergt. Scott, b Cox..... 6

Fus. Jones, not out..... 5

L/Cpl. Manchipp, c Botting, b Whitehead..... 2

Lt. Clegg Hill, not out..... 0

Extras..... 0

Total (for 2 wks.)..... 13

PERRY TESTS HIS
TENNIS

“MY BACK IS ALL RIGHT”

London, March 19.
Fred Perry, Britain's lawn tennis champion, is “all right.” He said so yesterday after a three-set game with H. W. Austin at Melbury Club, Kensington. It was Perry's first strenuous game since he injured his back when playing in America six months ago.

Both men played seriously, although not all out, for an hour and a quarter. The score in Austin's favour was 6-0, 7-9, 7-5.

Perry said afterwards: “My back is quite all right, but I am scared at the moment of reaching far out on the back-hand. Otherwise everything seems O.K.”

For a long period Perry could not hit the ball a decent length, but when he warmed up in the second set he produced several winners.

GERMANTOWN GIVEN
DAVIS CUP FINAL
NORTH AMERICAN ZONE
CLASSIC

HOW THE U.S. TEAM WILL PAIR

London, March 12.

THE Germantown Cricket Club has been awarded the North American zone Davis Cup final for 1936 with the United States and Australia as the two countries which are expected to fight it out for the honour of meeting the winner of the European zone competition for the right to challenge Great Britain.

The other two countries which will compete in the American zone are Cuba and Mexico, the former meeting Australia in the first round and the latter meeting the United States, and, unless a decided upset happens, the team from “Down Under” and the representatives of Uncle Sam should come through and thus make good the present plans for the zone final which is expected to be played on Memorial Day week and next May.

This is the first time since 1932 that the Aussies have challenged in the American zone, and they hope to make a much better showing than they did that year, when they lost five straight matches to the United States. Jack Crawford, Vivian McGrath and Adrian Quist have been named as their 1936 team, and they will be under Manager C. E. Sproule.

Quist has been playing fine tennis in Australia, having defeated Crawford in both the Victorian and national singles championship finals this winter, which makes it practically certain that he will play in the Davis Cup singles. As he is also regarded as one of the best doubles players in the world, he will probably team with Crawford or McGrath in that division of play. All-in-all, it certainly looks like a very formidable team, one that will take the best the United States can offer.

Americans On 1935 Squad

Five players have been named to make up the American squad, and all of them were on the 1935 team. They are: Wilmer L. Allison Jr., United States singles champion; J. Donald Budge, Bryan M. Grant, C. Gene Mako and John W. Van Ryn. They are soon to assemble and practice for the match with Mexico next month. Budge, Grant and Mako were the players who met that country last year, and it is expected that they will be selected for this year's contest. Last year, Grant was not taken to England for the interzone match; but it is rather expected that he will go this year, provided, of course, America qualifies for the interzone match.

He may not play in the Davis Cup matches, however, but will be given a chance to compete at Wimbledon. Budge and Allison are sure to play against Australia, and the chances are that Budge and Mako will be given the doubles assignment, as it would seem best, in view of what happened last year, to save Allison for the singles and not tax his strength by playing him in the doubles with Van Ryn, even though they be ranked above the younger pair.

Great Player

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HOLIDAY GOLF AT
FANLINGT. R. Rowell Wins
Bogey Pool

T. R. Rowell (18), with a score of two up, won the Bogey (par) Pool on the Old Course at Fanling during the Easter Meeting of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club.

Other leading scores were:—J. B. Mackie (8), W. S. Hillier (10) and C. H. Burton (12), all one up. There were 79 entries altogether.

In the Medal Round on the Old Course, T. A. Pearce, with a card of 78—3—75, and P. H. Scoones (80—5—75) tied and divide.

There were 34 entries. The Bogey (Par) Pool on the New Course was won by J. Harrop (15) who finished all square. There were 43 entries.

Owing to a lack of entries the Best Ball Foursomes was cancelled.

The Mixed Bogey (Par) Foursomes was won by Mrs. Smalley (24) and J. W. Mayhew (12) who were three up. Twelve entries were received.

In the Adamson Cup April qualifying round at Happy Valley from April 3 to April 12, T. B. Low (80—16—64) qualifies. Other scores were: J. W. Franks (77—11—66), S. T. Butlin (81—11—70), W. Woodward (85—13—72) and H. A. Mills (89—16—73).

MR. A. R. BLINKO
LEAVINGLOSS TO SHANGHAI'S
GOLFING RANKSFUTURE HOME ON
VANCOUVER IS.

Shanghai, April 5.

When the Empress of Canada sails to-day, she will take from Shanghai Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Blinko. One of the finest and most popular golfers this city has known, Mr. Blinko's departure, for good unfortunately, will mean a very great loss to the ranks of the keen sportsmen of Shanghai.

Concerning his departure, a correspondent writes: “He has been one of the greatest personalities in the history of Shanghai golf, equalling in popularity and respect the two great stalwarts of the past, the late Mr. A. W. Walkinshaw of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, and ‘McMurtrie’ of Shewan Tomes and Co., all ‘grand golfers.’”

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GEM HOAHING OUT
OF CONTESTDEFEATED IN SURREY
WOMEN'S TOURNEY

London, April 9.

Miss Gem Hoahing, the 14-year-old Hong Kong Chinese girl, was defeated in the fourth round of the Surrey women's Hard Court singles championship at Roehampton. Her conqueror was Mrs. Strawson, who won by 6/0, 2/6, 6/0.

The Chinese girl, although defeated, impressed onlookers by the perfection of her strokes and her court craft.

CAPT. EYSTON TO
TRY AGAINOFF TO UTAH WITH TWO
NEW RACING CARS

Southampton, April 9.

The famous British racing motorist, Capt. G. E. T. Eyston, left for Salt Lake City to-day to attempt new speed and long-distance records. He took with him a heavy oil car and a petrol-car named “Speed of the Wind.”

Capt. Eyston was recently awarded the Segrave Memorial Trophy for his wholesale shattering of motor speed record last year.



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Cart Before The Horse

For a nation famed for its logic, there seems to be something amiss in the solemn charge of the French paper *Le Temps* of a "vacillating policy" on the part of Britain being responsible for having "contributed much to the present European crisis." The phrase is, of course, what Mr. Winston Churchill once described as a "terminological inexactitude," and even in its least lucid moments *Le Temps* ought to be able to see that. British policy vis-à-vis Europe since the end of the war has, in fact, followed a most remarkably undeviating policy, despite the revolutionary changes involved in the accession to power of the first Labour Government. But not even that unprecedented circumstance caused a deviation from the consistently declared policy of conciliation in Europe, progressive reduction in armaments and security based upon the collective system, as represented by the League of Nations. Indeed, if there is any question of vacillation it would more reasonably lie in the opposite direction to that charged by *Le Temps*—namely in the tendency of the Labour and National Governments to lean too much on idealism instead of realism in the forming of policies. Disarmament, for instance, was carried to a point of distinct danger in the void and fond hope that the example would be followed; fidelity to the principle of collective security all but brought Britain to the stage of a defenceless nation in the midst of a camp armed to the teeth; never once in the last 18 years has the foreign policy of Britain been centred upon any other idea than that of letting the dead past bury its dead and building a new order on a new international relationship. All these ideals have been aimed at; the only vacillation has been in the degree and force of the aiming.

With the utmost respect to our French allies, we suggest that it would be more appropriate to say that the "vacillating policy" has more often come from them. It is surely futile and rather inconsequential to say now that "Italy has been treated too severely," either with or without the corollary that Germany's defection has called forth "too much indulgence." To make these charges at this stage of the proceedings is putting the cart before the horse with a vengeance. France possibly needs the reminder that firm support from her in the first instance instead of an adroit sitting on the fence by the "honest broker" would probably have liquidated the circumstances in which any action whatever is necessary against Italy, long before they had time to develop as they have. For weeks before the actual event of Italy's adventure in East Africa the British Government endeavoured to obtain some sort of definitive statement of policy from France. When the question of the responsibility of the members of the League for the territorial integrity of one of their number was first introduced into the dispute as a matter of practical politics, Britain took the lead in endeavouring to secure an unequivocal undertaking from France, among the other signatories, that she would implement her signature with something more than honeyed words. Again M. Laval hummed and hawed, and blew hot and cold, wheedled and cajoled, while Italy went her own sweet way, confident that she could get away with it. Finally, as we know, economic sanctions were

LOCAL FAMILIES UNITED

Da Silva — Barretto

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH
WEDDING

The marriage was solemnised last evening, at St. Joseph's Church, of Mr. Pedro Nolasco da Silva, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. M. N. da Silva, and Miss Ofelia Barretto, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Barretto. Fr. A. Rignanti officiated.

The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a "Viola Dimmitt" modelled white crinkled satin gown with small matching coat. She carried a sheaf of arum lilies.

The bridesmaids, the Misses Edith and Laura Nolasco da Silva, Hilda de Sousa and Pauline Chao, wore gowns of old gold taffeta trimmed with blue flowers at the neckline. They carried posies of blue flowers to match.

A navy blue gown with hat to match was worn by the bride's mother.

Mr. Leo D'Almada e Castro, Jr., and Mr. Pedro Nolasco da Silva, Sr., were the groomsmen. A reception was held later at "Shorncliffe," 7, Garden Road, the home of the bridegroom. The bride's going-away dress was a brown silk ensemble with accessories to match. The honeymoon is being spent at Repulse Bay.

HONG KONG NAVAL VOLUNTEERS

H.M.S. Cornflower Inspected

ADMIRAL'S ADDRESS

The Commander-in-Chief, Vice-Admiral Sir Charles Little, yesterday evening paid a visit to H.M.S. Cornflower, the training ship of the Hong Kong Naval Volunteer Reserve.

The Commander-in-Chief, who was accompanied by members of his Staff, was preceded aboard the Cornflower by the Commodore in Charge, Hong Kong, Commodore C. G. Sedgwick.

Following the inspection of the ship, the Commander-in-Chief addressing the Volunteer Officers, stressed the importance of the work they were doing for the Colony and the Empire and the interest he personally took in the movement.

There was a full attendance of Officers of H.M.S. Cornflower, those present being:

Lt.-Cdr. J. Petrie, D.S.O., Actg. Commanding Officer; Lt. R. J. D. C. Grieve, Lt. R. Stock, Lt. J. C. M. Grenham, Sub-Lt. F. Baker, Sub-Lt. R. Edwards, Sub-Lt. L. G. Stevenson, Sub-Lt. R. P. W. Ashby, Sub-Lt. H. C. Mecke, Sub-Lt. G. C. Dudley, Sub-Lt. P. Dully, Engr. Sub-Lt. A. C. Ford, Cadets: J. Gardiner, W. W. C. Shewan, L. D. Skinner, J. Middleton-Smith, R. Moncrieff, L. P. Ralph, Burgess, Rev. Cyril Brown, Surg. Lt. L. J. Davis, Pay. Lt.-Cdr. J. Hampton-Ross, Pay. Lt. E. Grossman, and Lt.-Cdr. R. S. Barrie, R.N., Officer Instructor.

half-heartedly applied. Precisely the same procedure took place when oil sanctions were originally mooted. The slightest show of determination from the other League Powers involved — including France — would have resulted in their firm application six months ago, with some prospect of actually bringing the wanton slaughter in Abyssinia to a full stop. But what happened? Who pursued a "vacillating policy?" England, with her insistence, in season and out, that the Powers should take a firm stand on this all-important matter, or France and the other weak-kneed Powers, forever sliding out of committing themselves because a bombastic upstart threatened "reprisals?" The fact is that Britain has been badly let down by most of the other Powers concerned, and to this can be traced the whole failure of the collective system which has, in its turn, encouraged Germany to take the bit between her teeth. The situation in the Rhineland would probably never have arisen if Europe and the world as a whole had shown some consistency in their protestations and had implemented them by firm co-operation. As it is, the way is now open for any outlaw nation to do as it pleases, with the utmost contempt for the law-abiding States.

Here
There
and
Everywhere.

INDIAN VISITOR

Abanindranath Tagore, nephew of Rabindranath Tagore, the Bengali poet, and himself a well-known artist, will shortly be visiting London.

In India Abanindranath Tagore has a house at Santiniketan, the settlement near Calcutta that was founded by his uncle. In this settlement lives a miscellaneous international collection. It includes a co-education school. A Swedish woman instructs the hand-weaving class, and everyone salutes the dawn with folk songs and dances.

FAMOUS FAMILY

The Tagore family has for several generations been the centre of cultural life in Bengal. Rabindranath Tagore's grandfather, Dwarkanath Tagore, and his father were leaders of the Brahmo Samaj movement to reform Hinduism; his sister, Mrs. Ghosal, is a Bengali novelist; and another of his nephews, Gogenandranath Tagore, has made a name for himself as an artist.

The work of the two nephews is characteristic of Santiniketan — Oriental in conception and Occidental in execution. Abanindranath is best known for his illustrations of fairy stories and the Arabian Nights, and Gogenandranath for his savage caricatures.

Your Daily Smile!

Ahem!
"Yes, the missile struck my head," said Albert, "and then went careening into space."
"Hm-hm!" replied friend Alice. "Did they get it out?"

Art of Omission
"Dad, what is political art?"
"That, my son, is the art of not getting your views mixed in with those of your interviewers."

Rip Van Winkle slept for 20 years, but, of course, his neighbours didn't have a radio.

Social tact is making your company feel at home, even though you wish they were.

At The Office
Mrs. Hen: "I wonder if I could borrow your rug-beater, Mrs. Peck?"
Mrs. Peck: "I'm sorry, Mrs. Hen, but he doesn't get home till five o'clock."

HITLER'S PRETEXT FOR BREACH JURIDICALLY A WEAK CASE DISCLOSED

FRANCE'S OBLIGATIONS IN TREATY WITH SOVIET

(By Harold Stannard)

FOR Britain the Locarno Treaty means one document only—that in which Britain and Italy appended their signatures to an undertaking by France, Belgium and Germany to settle all their disputes by peaceful means and to respect both their present mutual frontiers and the demilitarised zone in the German Rhineland.

For Eastern Europe different arrangements were made. Germany did not accept her existing eastern frontiers, but undertook not to alter them except by peaceful means.

As guarantor of this arrangement France signed separate treaties, identical in form except for the names, with Poland and Czechoslovakia. The text of these treaties was communicated to the German Government. Herr Hitler refers to them in the most laboured paragraph of his memorandum denouncing the Rhineland Treaty. He admits that the treaties with Poland and Czechoslovakia were framed in general terms, but insists that the Franco-Soviet Pact goes far beyond their provisions. This contention must now be examined.

Not "Undisputed"

The German memorandum's first point is that

"It is undisputed that the Franco-Soviet Pact is directed exclusively against Germany."

It is in fact by no means undisputed. The parties explain in a memorandum attached to their Pact that what they desired was:

"A treaty of assistance between the U.S.S.R., France and Germany, under which each of these three States would be pledged to come to the assistance of any one of them subjected to an aggression on the part of one of those three States."

The memorandum goes on to say that the provisions of the Franco-Soviet Pact

"should be understood to come into play only within the limits contemplated in the Tripartite Agreement previously projected."

Thus the German contention that the Franco-Soviet Pact is directed exclusively against Germany is directly countered by the language of the document itself.

It is not surprising that M. Flandin offered to submit the whole issue raised by the Franco-Soviet Pact to the Hague Tribunal. Under the provisions of the main Locarno Treaty to which England is a party Germany has pledged herself to accept such an offer. The first and strongest legal point against Herr Hitler is that he has torn up a treaty which he had previously specifically accepted on the strength of a faulty interpretation of another treaty—faulty because it disregards its specific language.

The Covenant

Herr Hitler's other main contention is that in the event of war between Germany and Russia "France would act as though neither the Covenant of the League nor the Locarno Pact, which refers to this Covenant, were still valid."

It is this declaration which makes it necessary to compare the language of the Franco-Soviet Pact with the language of the Polish and Czechoslovak Pacts which were known to Germany when she entered into her Locarno undertakings. Both the Polish and the Czech Treaties referred to the Covenant of the League of Nations. Legislation by reference indeed is becoming almost as irritating in diplomatic documents as it is in Acts of Parliament.

The references in question are to Art. 15, Par. 7 and Art. 16 of the League Covenant. Art. 16 is the well-known Sanctions article. The reader may care to be reminded, however, that the Article also includes a reference to military Sanctions, and it is to such Sanctions that both the Polish and Czech Locarno Treaties and the

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"BELIEVE IT OR NOT" by Robert L. Ripley



LARGE PLANES CAN LAND IN CAPITAL

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Italy Claims Right To Lake Tsana

PEACE NEGOTIATIONS VIEWED WITH SCEPTICISM

Rome: Well-informed quarters here stress that Italy cannot enter into any negotiations concerning Lake Tsana, which she considers will be henceforth Italian property, and which she will never accept as being outside the territory conquered by her troops.

Hence, so the same quarters state—Italy will not countenance cession of the lake to Great Britain, and the only thing she would be prepared to do would be to make a declaration that she is not intending to modify the existing regulation of the waters of the Blue Nile in any way susceptible to injuring Anglo-Egyptian interests.

The coming peace negotiations at Geneva are regarded with utter scepticism by Italian political circles, which point out that the advance of the Italian troops is now proceeding so rapidly that the situation is changing almost daily to Italy's advantage.

All newspapers publish articles attacking the British policy, whereby they especially criticise the suggestion made by some British quarters that the Committee of Eighteen should be summoned in order to decide further sanctions.

The press are unanimous in their declaration that Italy will refuse to enter into any negotiations under such a threat.—Trans-Ocean Service.

Bombing Planes Visit Addis Ababa

PAMPHLETS DROPPED, BUT NO BOMBS

Asmara: A squadron of 21 Italian bombing and pursuit planes paid a surprise visit to Addis Ababa on Easter Monday. Although encircling the city on several occasions and descending to a relatively low altitude, they remained unharmed as the Abyssinian anti-aircraft batteries were inactive.

The planes dropped many thousands of pamphlets warning the population of the city that the Nexus army had been abolished and that slavery had been abolished in the territories at present occupied by the Italians. The pamphlets furthermore promised that "The Italians would bring peace and civilisation to the country." After the large supply of pamphlets had been exhausted, the planes returned safely to their base.—Trans-Ocean Service.

Italian Advance Along Northern Front

Rome: Italian Headquarters' official communique No. 184 states that the Italian advance is continuing along the entire northern front and that 22 Italian aeroplanes encircled Addis Ababa for a considerable time on Monday.

The communique adds that the planes contented themselves with dropping pamphlets and refrained from bombardment.

Nevertheless, the communique adds, the inhabitants fled panic-stricken from the city and sought refuge in the surrounding countryside.—Trans-Ocean Service.

MR. EDEN'S POLICY

DISCLAIMER FROM ENGLAND

NOTHING PERSONAL

London, To-day. In the attacks directed against Mr. Anthony Eden in the Italian newspapers the attempt is made to represent as personal the policy which the Foreign Secretary has consistently followed in regard to the Italo-Abyssinian dispute. Such attitude is, of course, entirely unjustified. The Foreign Secretary has throughout maintained the closest contact with his Cabinet, colleagues and has had their fullest confidence in every step taken. The House of Commons has also time after time associated itself with the Government's policy as expressed in speeches by Mr. Eden and the Under-Secretary, Lord Cranborne. (Continued in next column)

SOVIET "AIR TRAIN" MAKES SUCCESSFUL FLIGHT

Plane Tows Five Gliders

Moscow. An "air train" consisting of an aeroplane towing five gliders, has made a long, successful round flight from Tula, about 120 miles south of Moscow, to Stalinogorsk and back to Tula, via Orel—a total distance of about 1,000 miles. The flight was accomplished at a height of about 10,000ft. At this altitude the gliders detached themselves one by one at the end of the flight and landed safely.

U.S. BASEBALL OPENS

Bud Hafley Hits First Homer

ROOSEVELT THROWS FIRST BALL AT WASHINGTON

New York, To-day. Generally favoured by finest opening day weather for many years, over 200,000 spectators invaded the eight major League baseball grounds for the opening of the season yesterday.

The biggest crowd assembled on the Polo Ground, New York, for the clash between the Giants and the Dodgers, and President Roosevelt threw out the first ball at Washington where he was applauded by 25,000 fans.

The honour of hitting the first home run of the season fell to Bud Hafley who clouted a four-bagger for Pittsburgh in the first innings of their match against Cincinnati.

Results of the matches were: National League

	R.	H.	E.
Boston	1	4	0
Philadelphia	4	8	0
Pittsburgh	8	14	2
Cincinnati	6	14	4

Bud Hafley hit the first homer of the season, during the first innings.

	R.	H.	E.
Brooklyn	5	6	1
New York	8	17	4
Melvin Ott and Dick Bartell			homered.

Chicago 12 | 18 | 2 || Herman, Chuck Klein Demaree (2) and Hartnett homered. | | | |
| St. Louis | 7 | 14 | 4 |
| Morgan homered and J. Dean pitched. | | | |

American League

	R.	H.	E.
Detroit	3	10	0
Cleveland	0	4	0
"Schoolboy" Rowe pitched.			

New York 0 | 4 | 0 || Buck Newsom pitched. | | | |
Washington	1	7	2
Philadelphia	4	10	1
Boston	9	13	4

St. Louis 6 | 9 | 1 || Bell and Coleman pitched. | | | |
| Chicago | 7 | 12 | 2 |
| Piet homered. | | | |

—Reuter.

DOG RESCUED FROM 50FT. PIT

George Carlow, aged 18, was lowered into a 50ft den-hole near Orpington, Kent, and rescued a small dog which was apparently trapped there while chasing rabbits.

as well as by other Ministers.

Recent events have in no way changed the main lines of that policy and in regard to collective action against an aggressor State Britain has been and is prepared to pursue financial and economic measures while hostilities continue, as far as the League as a whole agrees upon such action.—British Wireless Service.

Miss Dorothy Dickson Granted Decree Nisi

Dorothy Skofield Heisen, Grosvenor-place, S.W., known on the stage as Miss Dorothy Dickson, was granted a decree nisi by Mr. Justice Langton in the Divorce Court last month.

Her husband, Mr. Carl Constantin Heisen, known as Carl Hyson, a dancer, did not contest the suit.

Mr. and Mrs. Heisen were married in Michigan, U.S.A., in June, 1914, both being American born.

NUN MEETS END IN LAKE AT CONVENT

Thought To Have Had Seizure At Prayer

FOUND DROWNED IN GARDEN THAT SHE LOVED

London.—Death by misadventure was the verdict at an inquest on a nun, Sister Mary Josephine Primavesi, aged 37, who was found drowned in a lake in a convent garden which she loved. The inquest was held at Kelvedon Hall Convent, near Ongar, Essex, where Sister Primavesi was on a visit.

Dr. J. D. Fiddes said that Sister Primavesi had a small cerebral haemorrhage which would have caused unconsciousness. He thought she might have fallen into the lake in the convent garden in that state. The haemorrhage occurred before death.

Sister Mary Frances D'Alton, Sister Superior, said that Sister Primavesi came from St. Joseph's Hall, Whalley Range, Manchester, as her guest about three weeks ago. She looked quite well, and after medical advice for a minor ailment was her normal-self.

"She was very pious and very good," replied Sister D'Alton, when the coroner asked if Sister Primavesi had ever suggested harming herself.

Winifred Mary Short, a boarder at the convent, said she spent some time with Sister Primavesi earlier in the week. She was cheerful and happy, and said she was going to the chapel.

P. C. French stated that the water at the edge of the lake was 1ft 3in deep.

In the water was a crucifix. This, it was stated, was probably being carried by the dead nun.

The Sister Superior said Sister Primavesi may have been holding the crucifix and praying at the moment she met with her death.

RABBI'S REPROVAL OF WOMEN'S GARB

Evening Dress Worn At Weddings

"This is a place of worship, not a ball-room or a swimming-bath." Thus Rabbi Dr. J. L. Landau protested, in a sermon at the Great Synagogue in Johannesburg, against the practice of women coming to weddings in the synagogue wearing evening frocks with low backs and no sleeves.

Such clothes were out of keeping with the atmosphere of a house of worship, he said, and were an "affront to the sanctity of the Ark."

He suggested that women attending wedding receptions in evening frocks should wear cloaks or wraps during the service in the Synagogue.

OPIUM SMUGGLING IN BURMA

Drug Hidden In Books

Opium smuggling has become a serious menace in Burma. The latest proof of this is the confiscation by the police of 2,985lb. of refined opium at a railway station in Mandalay.

This opium—worth some £4,450, was discovered hidden in packing cases containing Chinese books. The men who control the illicit traffic, it is officially stated, bring the opium in from China by way of the Shan States.

To-day's Complete Short Story

FRANGIPANNI FANTASIA

By David McNicoll

THE wharf faded slowly, until all Miriam could see was the glinting of the sun on Roger's ridiculous old hat, and the dull red of the boss-boy's lap-lap beside him. Between them stretched a growing expanse of water, green and gold, throwing far and wide the million beams of the blistering sun which twinkled on its surface.

"That's that!" she whispered softly to herself. For one instant only she had felt sorry that she was going, but the sorrow had soon slipped away. She was free again, free to live, and if she liked, never to return to Roger, never to see that old copra wharf, the native labourers, or the palms.

The palms. She stopped as a sudden thought struck her. The sudden thought struck her. The sudden thought struck her. The sudden thought struck her. The sudden thought struck her.

BOY'S LIFE SAVED BY SNAKE-VENOM

Bleeding For 12 Days

VIPER POISON SENT 200 MILES BY TRAIN

An 11-year-old boy suffering from haemophilia—bleeding disease—has had his life saved by snake-venom. The venom had to be sent hurriedly 200 miles by train, after urgent telephone calls.

Haemophilia is the malady that has killed one member of the Spanish Royal family and has afflicted another, the Count of Coradonga, during his recent grave illness. How the boy was cured of it is told in "The Lancet" by Dr. Geoffrey A. Baker and Dr. Paul C. Gibson.

When he was admitted to Torbay Hospital, Torquay, the boy was in a state of collapse after bleeding for 10 days.

The doctors ordered snake-venom from a London firm, but when it arrived at mid-night, to their dismay, the package was found to contain anti-venin (antidote).

"At 9.15 the following morning," the doctors state, "we telephoned to the pharmacist of St. Bartholomew's Hospital."

"At 10 a.m. a telegram arrived saying that some Russell viper venom was being put on the 10.30 train for Torquay. It arrived at 2.30 p.m., and was applied immediately. From that moment we had no further anxiety."

STOWAWAY NEARLY ROASTED

Four Days' Torment In Boiler-Room

A native of Nigeria who stowed away in the boiler-room of the British steamer King Frederick at Dakar, French West Africa, was sentenced at Bristol to seven days' imprisonment.

He was Emanuel Quashie Otoo, 30, and his address was given as Kwatey Kojok-street, Accra, Gold Coast. The ship in which he stowed away was bound from Australia for Avonmouth.

Mr. John Inskip (for the owners) said that Otoo endured the torment of four days' hiding in the boiler-room, came out half-roasted, and worked as a sailor for the rest of the voyage.

Otoo asked if he could have some money for the work done. He had friends in Liverpool and wanted to go there. He was told that the Court had nothing to do with that.

POISON GAS ATTACKS BY ITALIANS

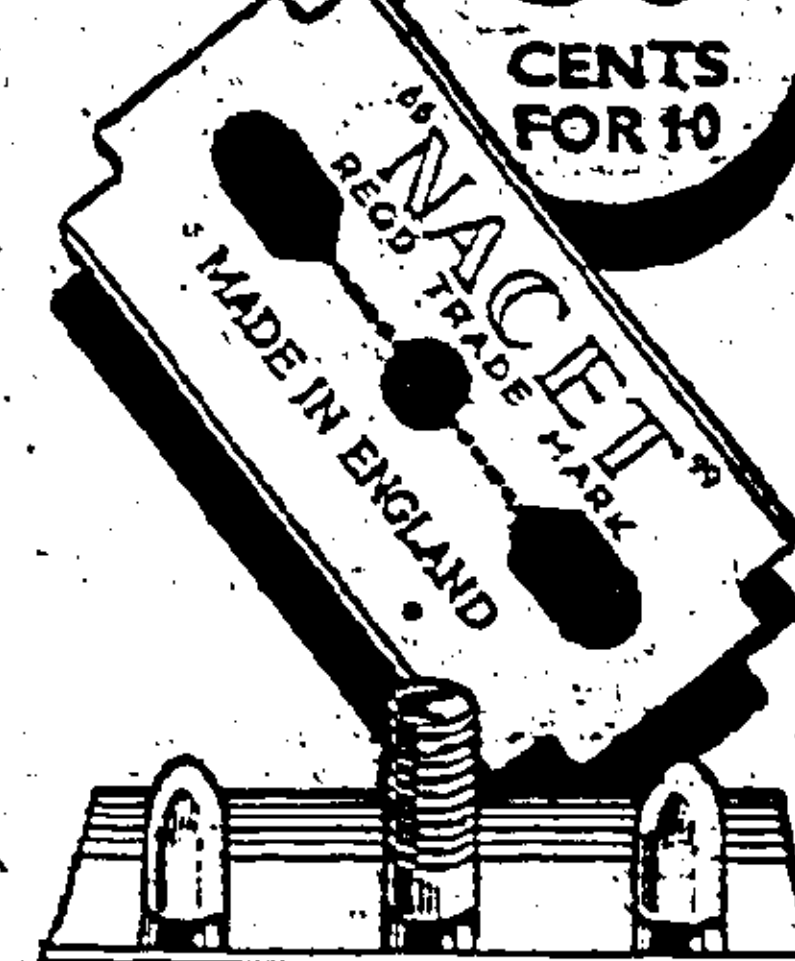
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USE OF GAS CONFIRMED

London: The newspapers give prominence to appeals received from authoritative quarters in Abyssinia for anti-gas medicaments suitable for treating sufferers from gas burns caused during the recent bombing by Italian airmen. It is now established that for over one month the intensive use of gas in defiance of the 1925 Protocol has been resorted to by the Italians, involving the victims in terrible suffering.—British Wireless Service.

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BANK OF CANTON LIMITED**Arrangement Scheme Approved****COMMITTEE OF INSPECTION ELECTED**

The Bank of Canton, Ltd., was packed to capacity this morning when a meeting of the unsecured creditors of the institution was convened for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, approving with or without modification, a Scheme of Arrangement between the creditors and members of the Bank.

An unanimous vote was given in favour of the Scheme of Arrangement, which is set out in detail below, and the following Committee of Inspection, comprising five members and two reserve members, was elected:—Mr. Wu Te-cheng, Mr. Chu Yuen-chee, Mr. Chan Kaan-po, Mr. Woo Yauk-pang and Mr. Kwok Sing, and Mr. Lee Yat-ngok and Mr. Lam Kow-mow.

Three Special Managers were also appointed and these were Mr. J. M. Wong, Mr. Ho Ching-hoi and Mr. Cheung Wing-poo.

The Supreme Court appointed Dr. Li Shu Fan, M.B., Ch. B., D.T.M. and H. and F.R.C.S. (Edin.) who presided, as Chairman of the Creditors' Meeting, and he was supported by Mr. Leo D'Almada e Castro, Jnr., solicitor for the above mentioned creditors, and others.

Scheme of Arrangement.
The following is the Scheme of Arrangement in detail:—

1.—An Application shall be made to the Supreme Court of Hong Kong for the withdrawal of the Petition for Winding-Up of the Bank of Canton Ltd. (hereinafter referred to as "the Bank") presented by the Directors of the Bank on September 4, 1935.

2.—The capital of the Bank shall be reduced from \$8,665,000 (divided into 216,640 fully paid-up shares issued of \$40.00 each in this Scheme referred to as "Ordinary Shares") to \$1,083,200 divided into 216,640 shares of \$5.00 each and such reduction shall be effected by cancelling paid-up capital which has been lost or is unrepresented by available assets to the extent of \$35,500 per share upon each of the 216,640 shares which have been issued, and by reducing the nominal value of all the ordinary shares in the Bank's capital from \$40.00 to \$5.00 per share.

3.—The increase of the capital of the Bank by way of shares in the classes following shall be authorised:—

(a) 200,000 fully paid shares of \$10.00 each. These shares shall be known as "First Preference Shares" and shall carry the right to a fixed cumulative preferential dividend at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum on the capital paid up thereon payable as regards each year out of the profits of that year as a first charge and shall rank as regards capital in priority to all other classes of shares.

(b) Shares to be known as "Second Preference Shares" of \$10.00 each to be subscribed for and taken up by unsecured creditors of the Bank. The Bank shall allot to each such creditor shares equivalent in value to 50 per cent. of his or her claim and the same shall be accepted in discharge of half of such claim. These shares shall carry the right to a fixed cumulative dividend at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum payable as regards each year out of the profits of that year and shall rank as regards capital next after First Preference Shares and as regards dividends next after the above mentioned dividend of 8 per cent. on First Preference Shares, and prior to Ordinary Shares.

(c) Holders of First and Second Preference Shares shall be entitled to one vote for each share held by them and Articles 113 to 125 of the Articles of Association of the Bank dealing with the votes of shareholders shall apply. Holders of Ordinary Shares of the Bank shall be entitled to one vote for every two shares held by them and the provisions of Articles 113 to 125 of the Articles of Association shall apply.

LOCAL NEWS BREVITIES

The following forthcoming weddings are announced: Mr. Ellis Meyer Joseph, broker, residing at 4 Felix Villas, and Miss Fanny Saiti, living at Courtland, Kennedy Road; Mr. Charles Engelberth Dworkak, engineer, of 20 Shamen, B.C., and Miss Olga Kaupmans, residing at 2 Peking Road, Kowloon.

Among the passengers booked in Europe to connect with the Empress of Japan from Vancouver, B.C., on April 4, and due in Hong Kong on Friday, April 24, were Mr. C. J. Barwick, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Barrow, Miss E. Townsend.

A Piano and Song Recital is being given by Mme. Bonenfant (Piano) — and Frau Muller-Kaucher (Soprano) at the Helena May Institute at 9.15 p.m. Tickets \$1.50. Proceeds are in aid of the Piano Fund.

tion of the Bank shall apply *mutatis mutandis*.

Regarding Profits

4.—Whenever the profits of the Company in respect of any year shall be more than sufficient to pay (a) the Preferential dividend aforesaid and (b) the dividend on Second Preference Shares to the close of such year, the holders of First Preference Shares shall participate in the surplus *pari passu* with the holders of ordinary shares. Such participation shall be by way of dividend which shall be the same as that on the ordinary shares so long as the dividend on the latter does not exceed 4 per cent., but shall not in any case exceed that figure.

5.—No unsecured creditor of the Bank shall be entitled to more than "Second Preference Shares" than is represented by half the amount of the debt due by the Bank to him and no such shares shall be issued for a sum representing a fraction of \$10.00.

6.—The Bank shall issue a "Debtenture to Bearer" to each unsecured creditor for the balance of 50 per cent. of the amount due to him by the Bank, which amount shall be treated as a debt due by the Bank but not carrying interest. This amount shall be repaid to the creditor and/or his executors administrators and assigns (and the debtenture redeemed *pro tanto*) by five equal annual instalments, each of which shall not be less than one-fifth of such balance. The first instalment shall be paid within 12 months next after this Scheme becomes binding. Such debtentures may at any time be used by the holder thereof to the extent of their unredeemed value for the purpose of meeting any liability due by such holder to the Bank incurred prior to its suspension of business and/or for the purchase of or in exchange for any property of the Bank.

Committee Of Inspection

7.—At the Creditors' Meeting or Meetings held under the direction of the Court, a Committee of Inspection consisting of five persons and three Special Managers shall be appointed to do all things necessary for the carrying out of the Scheme including the investigation of all claims, and the general management of the Bank and shall act from the date when the Scheme becomes binding until the appointment of a Board of Directors.

8.—Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein contained all creditors of the Bank, if any, who by virtue of Section 251 of the Companies Ordinance, 1932, or otherwise are entitled to be paid in full in priority to other debts shall be paid in full by the Committee of Inspection out of the assets of the Bank within four weeks after the Scheme becomes binding.

9.—As from the time when the Scheme is sanctioned the Directors shall resign office and until new Directors are appointed as provided for in Clause 12 hereof the Committee of Inspection and the Special Managers shall, subject to the provisions of this Scheme, be deemed to be carrying on the business of the Bank on its behalf and shall accordingly account to the new Board of Directors for all benefits received and be indemnified against all liabilities and expenses incurred whilst so carrying on the same.

10.—The Committee of Inspection and/or Board of Directors shall be entitled to pay in cash all claims of unsecured creditors of a less amount than \$20.00, and all fractions of \$10.00 on unsecured

The fortnightly whist drive of the Craigengower Cricket Club will take place on Saturday beginning at 9 p.m.

The 33. Bhutan is due here from Singapore on the morning of Friday.

A Charity Ball will be held in the Garrison Lecture Hall on Friday next. The proceeds will be given to the widow of the late Sgt. Layzell, Royal Artillery. Dancing will be from 8.30 p.m. to 1 a.m. to the strains of the band of H.M.S. Hermes. Admission will be Gentlemen \$1. Ladies 50 cents (includes refreshments). There will spot prizes.

Two Shantung constables of the Hong Kong Police, Hui Shu-lin, D44 and Miao Hua-sung, D119, charged before Mr. S. F. Balfour, at the Central Police Court, with conspiring to obtain brides from hawkers, were yesterday sentenced to the maximum term of six months' hard labour each. Mr. L. H. C. Calthrop, A. S. P., prosecuted.

Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day was 0.13 inch. The total since January 1 has been 4.87 inches, against an average of 8.26 inches.

Chan Sai-mui, unemployed, was this morning sentenced to six months' hard labour and to 12 strokes of the birch, if unfit to serve an additional two months' imprisonment, for snatching a rattan golden-mounted bangle from a five-year-old girl at the Tin Hau temple yesterday.

MARRIED WOMAN WOUNDED**Shop Foki Charged**

Chan Kan, aged 18, a shop foki, was this morning charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy with wounding Ho Yiu, a married woman, at Ship Street on March 24 with intent to injure, maim or disfigure her.

When the charge was read defendant said he had no intention of injuring her.

Sub-Inspector Carey said that the case would be a committal one and asked for a week's remand, which was granted.

ed creditors' claims.

11.—The term "unsecured creditors" in this Scheme shall be deemed to include all the creditors (other than secured creditors and those provided for by Clause 8 hereof) whose claims are admitted by the Committee of Inspection.

12.—Within four months next after the Scheme becomes binding, a meeting of Shareholders of all classes shall be convened for the purpose of electing Directors of the Bank in accordance with the provisions of its Articles of Association.

Unsecured Creditors
13.—The unsecured creditors of the Bank shall accept the provisions in their favour contained in this Scheme in full satisfaction of all their claims against the Bank and its assets.

14.—Unless 30,000 at least of the Preference Shares shall be subscribed and paid for within twelve weeks after this Scheme becomes binding, the Committee of Inspection may, with the sanction of the Court, declare that this Scheme has fallen through, and in the event of such declaration, steps shall be taken for the voluntary Winding-Up of the Bank and all the other provisions of this Scheme shall be at an end.

15.—Such amendments to the Memorandum and Articles of Association as may be necessary for the carrying out of this Scheme shall be made.

16.—The Bank shall pay all the costs, charges and expenses of and incidental to this Scheme and the carrying of the same into effect.

17.—Any modifications and/or conditions which the Court may think fit to impose upon this Scheme shall be assented to.

18.—Nothing in this Scheme contained shall affect any charge, lien, or security except as hereinbefore provided.

A meeting of the members of the Bank of Canton Ltd. was held at 3 p.m. to-day, to confirm the Scheme of Arrangement.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.**NO DIVIDEND DECLARED****QUESTIONS BY MR. ELLIS**

The annual general meeting of Messrs. A. S. Watson and Co., Ltd., was held this morning in the Jacobean Room of the Hong Kong Hotel, when the Chairman, Mr. D. E. Clark, reported a profit for the year of \$20,256.33, which was less by \$10,000 compared with the previous year's working. The Directors very much regretted that they were unable to recommend a dividend.

The Chairman was supported by Mr. J. Scott Harston, Sir Shou-son Chow, and Mr. S. T. Williamson (Directors) and Mr. J. A. Tarrant (Secretary), while the following shareholders were also present: Messrs. F. M. Ellis, J. E. Jupp, J. D. Humphreys, F. W. Stapleton, Peter Wong and Wong Kin-tsoi.

Chairman's Speech

The Chairman, in his speech said:—

"The result of the year's trading shows a further decline, and your Board regret they are unable to recommend the payment of a dividend. Profit for the year, viz., \$20,256.33 is less by over \$10,000 than that on the previous year.

"The Canton Aerated Water Factory again had a poor year, the continued rains and floods in the early part of the summer adversely affecting sales, and the later months were comparatively cool. You will no doubt remember that the month of September was the coolest ever recorded here by the Royal Observatory.

"Our export business, which is considerable, suffered severely owing to the rapid rise in the value of the Hong Kong Dollar, and in order to keep our connections, we were forced to trade at a very small margin of profit, and in some cases even at a loss. Since the drop in the dollar value this business shows a healthy increase and will, I hope, prove remunerative.

"Turning to the Balance Sheet, it will be noticed that an amount of \$275,000 has been transferred from General Reserve for the purpose of writing down the values of certain Fixed Assets, namely Aerated Water Plant and Machinery, Motor Transport and Floating Equipment, and Furniture, Fittings, etc. The largest portion of this amount, viz. \$250,000, has been applied to reduce the book value of Aerated Water Plant and Machinery. While generous amounts have been written off yearly for depreciation, and substantial sums spent in maintaining the plant in first class condition, it has been necessary and obligatory to make very considerable additions during the past few years, especially to our Canton Factory.

Finest Factories

"Our Aerated Water Factories are among the finest, and it has been our policy to maintain installations replete with the most up-to-date machinery and equipment, with a view to coping with possible expansion of business.

Unfortunately, conditions which we are at present experiencing are reflected in decreased business generally, especially in the department under review, consequently our installations are not working to anything like full capacity, and at Canton, where the season is only of about six months' duration, their plant is idle for half the year.

"Your General Managers and Directors considered it a good policy to write down the book value of the plant to an amount commensurate with their present productive value. The same applies in a lesser degree to the other fixed assets, which have been similarly treated. After making this transfer, the General Reserve will stand at \$400,000.

"Stocks in Trade show a decrease of \$79,573 and Sundry Debtors are less by \$31,427.66, due to a smaller turnover.

"Whilst maintaining the utmost efficiency, considerable economies have been effected, the amount saved in various charges and expenses being approximately \$56,000 for the year under review. Further economies are being effected during the current year.

School-Children On Tour**Visits To Belgium And England**

London, To-day.

A thousand school-children left Victoria Station yesterday under the auspices of the National Union of Students for a tour of Belgium and will stay in schools and hotels at Brussels. The Belgian students' organisation is sending three parties of school-children to England on a similar visit, and the first party is expected to arrive to-day.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

rent year.

Alexandra Building
"The Company hold a lease of these premises, of which there are still about 6 years to run before expiry date. Until quite recently all shops and offices were let; but with the opening of more modern office accommodation in the city, we have lost some of our oldest tenants, and we have not been able, so far, to let the space vacated. This means a considerable loss in rentals.

"Without attempting to prophesy as to the future, I believe the outlook is now somewhat brighter, and I hope that next year I may be able to come before you with an improved report and the Company resume its almost unbroken record as a dividend-paying concern.

"I do not think there are any further matters to which I can usefully refer, and I now formally propose that the Report and Statement of Accounts as presented be adopted, and that the balance at Profit and Loss Account, viz. \$72,068.78, be appropriated as follows:—

Write off Building Improvements \$ 1,238.09
Transfer to Chinese Staff Superannuation A/c 5,000.00
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Questions And Answers

The following questions were asked by Mr. F. M. Ellis, and the answers follow:—

"What was the gross profit or loss of each department for each year since 1930? (2) What was the net profit or loss of each department for each year since 1930?"

"We consider it inadvisable in the interests of the Company or shareholders to give the information asked for."

"If there are any losing departments what steps have been taken to retrench or close them down? (4) Are any of these departments which have proved unprofitable still being carried on? If so, which ones, and why?"

"The drug department has been for the last two years unremunerative; keen competition exists in the various drug and departmental stores of the Colony. Economies in expenses and charges in this department have been effected and further economies are under consideration. The year under review showed a distinct improvement on the previous year in spite of difficult trading conditions accentuated by the eccentricities of the dollar. For these reasons we do not contemplate closing down that department. Should any department persistently show a definite loss, that course would naturally commend itself to your Directors and General Managers. The ways and means however would require careful consideration."

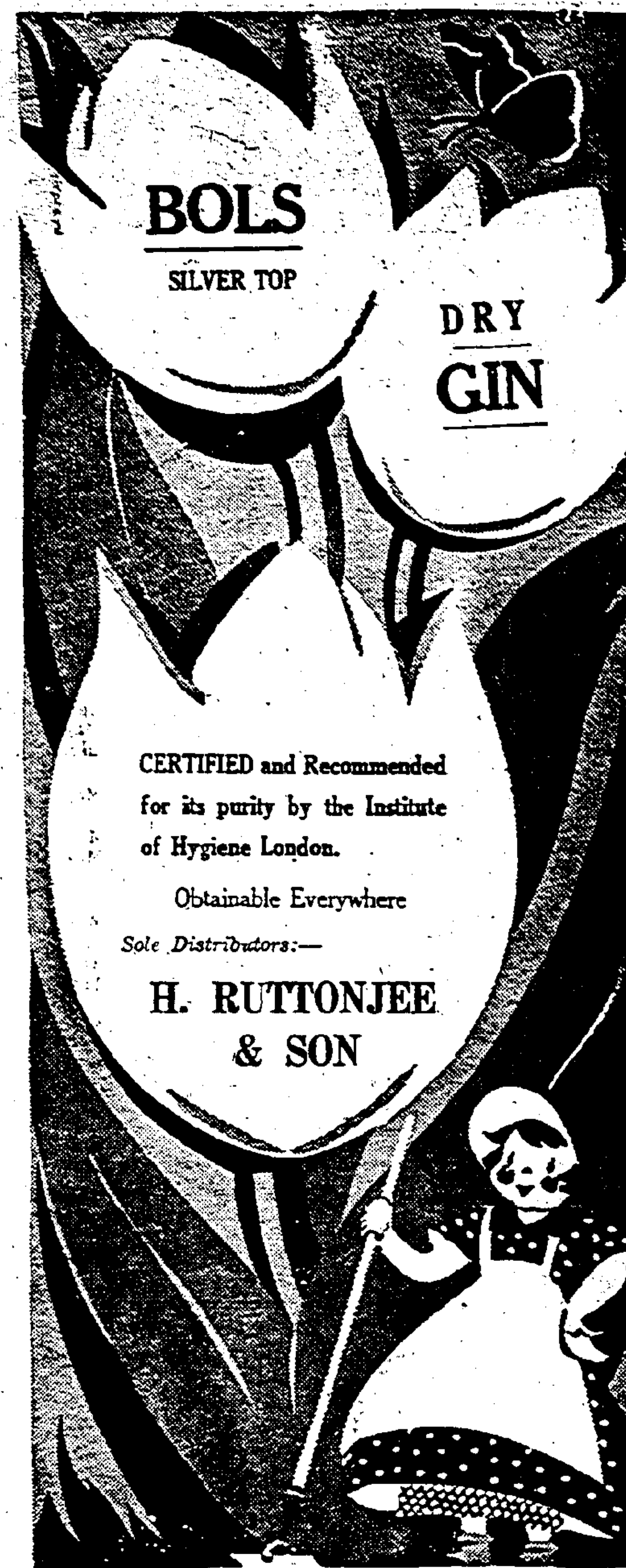
"Is it a fact that the Company is the Lessee of the whole of Alexandra Bldgs.? If so, what is the duration of the lease and rent, and what amount thereof is paid by the sub-tenants?"

"The Company is the lessee of the whole of Alexandra Building. As stated in my speech, there are about six years of the present lease yet to run. We do not consider it in the interests of the Company or of shareholders to give information as to rentals."

"What is the reason for the increase of \$30 in Director's fees?"
"There is no increase in Directors' fees. There are three directors who, in accordance with the Company's Article of Association, receive \$1,500 each per annum, totalling \$4,500.

"It has occurred during the last two years that a Director has resigned and his seat has not been immediately filled; hence the variation in the remuneration."

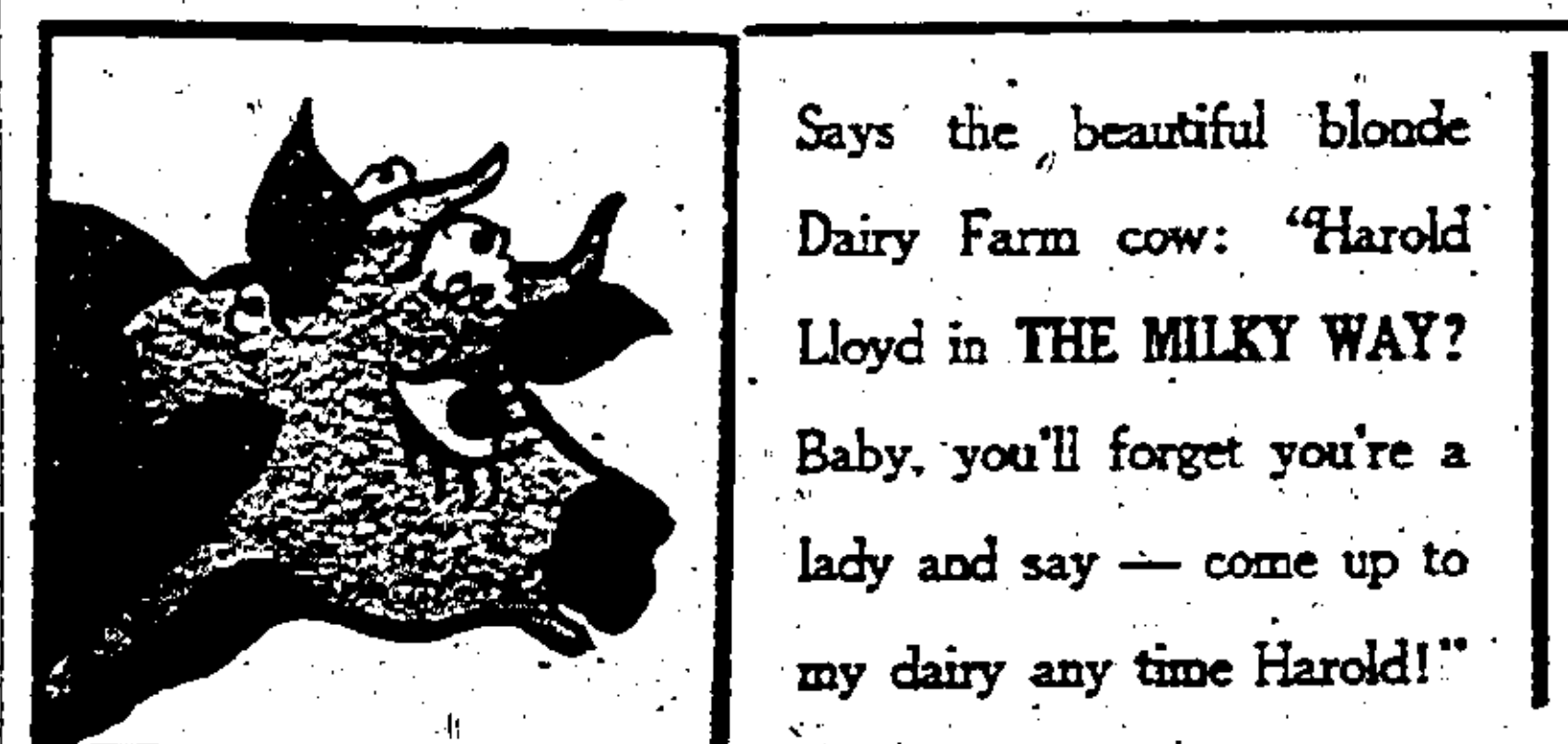
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FOR BREACH

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Franco-Soviet Pact have unmistakable reference.

Conciliation Article

Art. 15 is a conciliation Article. Its seventh paragraph, however, considers the case of the Council of the League failing to reach conclusions which are unanimous except for actual parties to the dispute, and declares that in such an event:

"The members of the League reserve to themselves the right to take such action as they shall consider necessary for the maintenance of right and justice."

This situation is foreseen in all three of the Eastern European Treaties under discussion. It says the Treaty with Poland, the Council of the League is unable to reach a unanimous report, then

"In the event of Poland or France being attacked without provocation, France, or reciprocally Poland, acting in application of Art. 15 (Par. 7) of the Covenant of the League of Nations will immediately lend aid and assistance."

The parallel article in the Franco-Soviet Treaty reads as follows:

"In the event of France or the U.S.S.R. under the circumstances specified in Article 15, Section 7, of the League Covenant, being subjected, in spite of the genuinely peaceful intentions of both countries, to an unprovoked aggression on the part of any European State, the U.S.S.R. and reciprocally France, shall immediately come to each other's aid and assistance."

Known To Germany

The former of these two quotations was known to Germany when she signed at Locarno. Had France's offer of a judicial inquiry been accepted Germany would have had to explain how the later declaration went so far beyond the earlier one as to invalidate the Rhineland Agreements.

Herr Hitler's memorandum goes on to say that Germany "did not object to the Treaties with Poland and Czechoslovakia, only on the natural condition that these Treaties contained no stipulations as to the application of Art. 16 of the League Covenant such as are provided in the Franco-Soviet Agreement." Here again exact comparison of the words used becomes necessary. Art. 1 of the Treaty of Poland reads as follows:

"In the event of Poland or France suffering from a failure to observe the undertakings arrived at this day between them and Germany, France, and reciprocally Poland, acting in application of Art. 16 of the Covenant of the League of Nations, undertake to lend each other immediately aid and assistance if such a failure is accompanied by an unprovoked recourse to arms."

It will be observed that there can be no possible doubt that this article is aimed directly at Germany, whose name occurs in the next. There is, however, no mention of Germany in the Franco-Soviet Pact, which Herr Hitler claims to be beyond dispute "directed exclusively against Germany."

Article XVI

The reference to Art. 16 of the Covenant in the Franco-Soviet Pact begins by summarising one of its provisions.



Germany's new airship, LZ 129, recently christened the "Field Marshal von Hindenburg," is pictured in the photographs reproduced here. Above is shown the reading and writing room of the airship, which is provided with large observation windows so that on all sides there is an unobstructed view of the landscape below.

It lays down that a member of the League which goes to war in defiance of the League's conciliation procedure "is, ipso facto, considered as having committed an act of war against all the other members of the League." Having regard to this condition.

"France and reciprocally the U.S.S.R. agree, in the event of one of them being subjected to an unprovoked aggression on the part of any European State, immediately to lend each other aid and assistance in application of Art. 16 of the Covenant."

There is, however, one point in which the Franco-Soviet Pact definitely goes beyond the Czech and Polish Treaties, though the German memorandum does not refer to it. In the first clause of their agreement, France and the U.S.S.R. agree to consult together in the event of threat or danger of aggression by any European State.

"as regards the measures to be taken for the enforcement of the provisions of Art. 10 of the League Covenant."

No Need For Reference
Art. 10 is the Article in which all members of the League undertake to respect one another's territorial integrity and political independence. There was no reference to Art. 10 in the Czech and Polish Treaties.

There was no need for any reference because Germany had herself just signed with the two Powers concerned treaties under which all possible questions which might arise between them were to be settled by judicial procedure. Any threat to either the integrity or independence of Poland or Czechoslovakia would be covered by these treaties, and a reference to Art. 10 is therefore implicit in France's understanding to come to the aid of both Powers if Germany failed to fulfil the obligations signed that day.

The reference becomes explicit in the case of the Franco-Soviet Pact because there is no corresponding arbitration treaty between Germany and Russia.

The "Lost Provinces"

It will be seen that Germany's case is juridically very weak. She claims as "undisputed" an interpretation of the Franco-Soviet Pact, which is, in truth, in dispute with the language of the Pact itself, and she has refused a French offer to submit the question to arbitration.

By so doing, however, she has broken the Rhineland Locarno Treaty, which provides for the peaceful settlement of all disputes between Germany and France.

What is more, Germany claims that the whole treaty is extinct, and that she is no longer bound by it. It will not escape French students of the situation that Germany has thus withdrawn her free consent to the return of the Lost Provinces to France, and they will certainly bear in mind Mr. Eden's statement that Germany's actions "have profoundly shaken confidence in any engagement into which the Government of Germany may in future enter."

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2. Tarantelle (Popper) (Op. 23).
3. Les Cloches (Debussy).
4. Romance (Debussy).
10.15-11.15 p.m.—From the Studio.
Dance Music by "The Z.B.W. Dance Orchestra."
11.15 p.m.—Close Down.



TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres. (845 K.C.s.)

Ten-A-Penny Band of H.M.S. "Hermes" from Studio.
A Recorded Scottish Programme.
12.50-2.15 p.m.—European Record Programme.

12.30 p.m.—Albert Sandler and his Orchestra.
1 p.m.—Local: Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.05 p.m.—Vocal Gems.
1.25 p.m.—Six Hit Medley played by the London Piano Accordion Band.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press Bulletins, Rugby Press News, Local: Weather Forecast, time and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Debroy Somers Band.
1.55 p.m.—A Variety Programme.
2.15 p.m.—Close Down.
4.7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7.11 p.m.—European Programme.
7 p.m.—A Scottish Programme.

Songs—
The Auld Hoose (Nairne)
Star O' Robbie Burns (Booth)
Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone).

Songs—
Delidie's Farewell to Scotland (arr. Kennedy Fraser)
Tain Glen (arr. Burnett)
Jean Day (Soprano).

Orchestra—
Petroneila (arr. Diack)
Strip the Willow (arr. Diack)
Scottish Country Dance Orchestra.

Humorous—
It's a Fine thing to sing
We Parted on the Shore
Sir Harry Lauder.

Orchestra—
Strathspeys (arr. Diack)
Reels (arr. Diack)
Scottish Country Dance Orchestra.

Songs—
Bonnie Wee thing (Fox)
John Edington (Tenor).

Songs—
Willie's Gane to Melville Castle (Robert Burnett)
Robert Burnett (Baritone).

7.50 p.m.—From the Studio.
"The Salvation Army"—A World Force by Dr. J. H. Montgomery.

8.55 p.m.—"In my Garden" (O'Keefe and Birstone) sung by Richard Crooks (Tenor).

8 p.m.—Local: Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Harry Roy and his Tiger Ragamuffins.

8.15 p.m.—Fox-Trot Medley.
Waltz Medley
Sweet Sue, Just you; Heebie Jeebies; I wonder where my baby is to-night.

It don't mean a thing; Happy Feet; Everybody loves my baby; I got Rhythm.
Shine, My Sweetie went away; Sweet Jenny Lee; Farewell Blues; You rascal you and Muddy Waters.

8.30 p.m.—From the Studio.
Talk by Evelyn Fullerton—"Early Forms of Drama."

8.45 p.m.—Marek Weber and his Orchestra.
From Mozart's Treasure Store (Urbinch).

Love's Dream after the Ball (Czibulka).
Indra Waltz (Lincke)

9 p.m.—A Relay of the Daventry News Bulletin (Copyright by Reuter).
9.15 p.m.—"Albert Comes Back" Humorous Monologue by Stanley Holloway.

9.20 p.m.—From the Studio.
Selections by "The Ten-A-Penny Band" of H.M.S. "Hermes."

9.40 p.m.—Vocal Items from Musical Comedy.
"Yes Madam."
10 p.m.—Big Ben;
10 p.m.—Cello Solos by W. H. Quire.

1. Adagio (Bizet arr. Squire).
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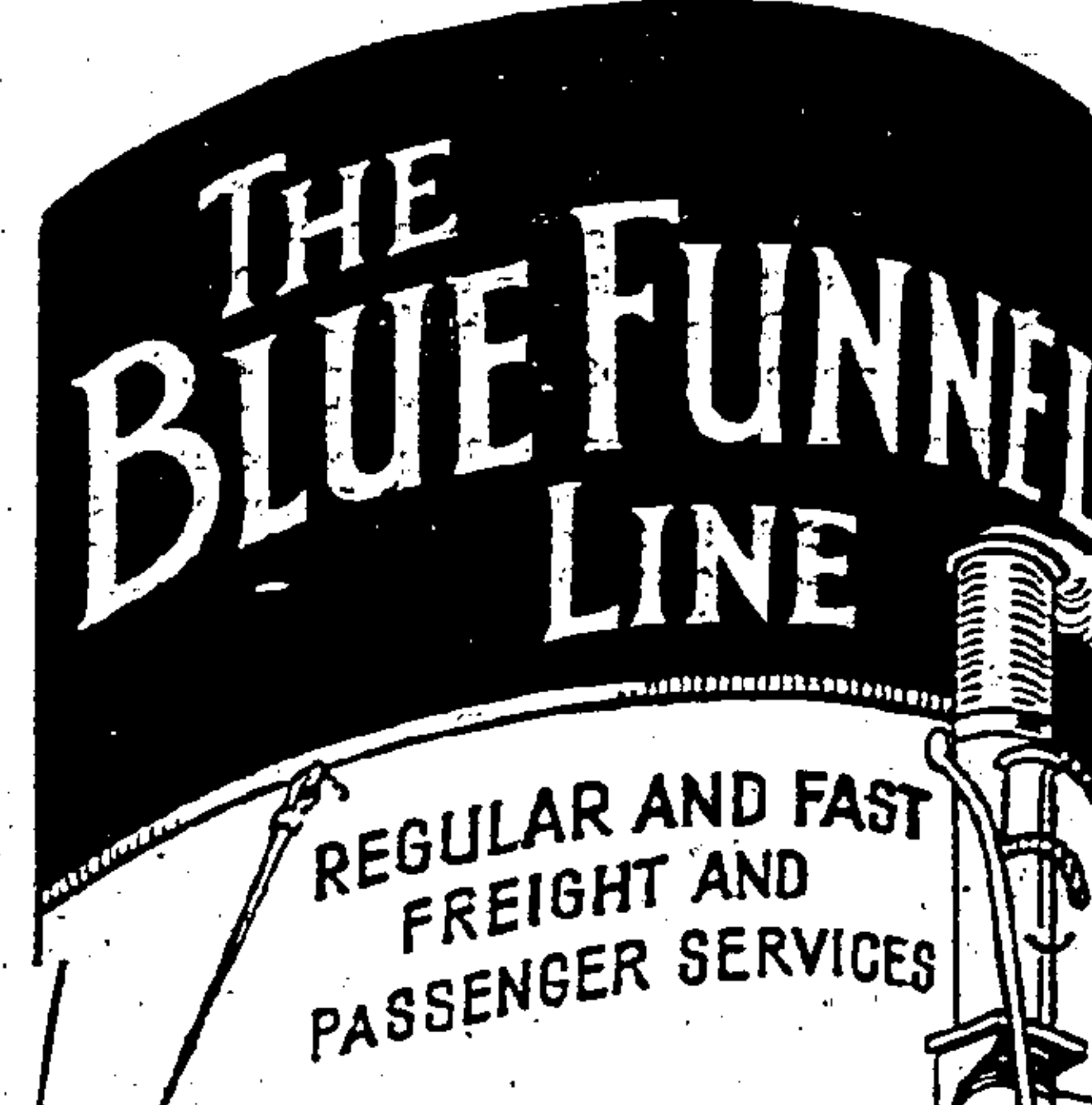
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Frangipanni Fantasia

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Army and navy guns have blasted Eusebio Ayala, President of Paraguay's war-time administration, out of office and backed a revolutionary regime which is reported to be headed by Col. Rafael Franco, a Chaco war hero.

wore a blue open shirt and grey slacks; a cigarette hung limply from his fingers.

Miriam looked him up and down. How annoying. Probably he had been watching her for some time. Her tongue seemed tied; she could not think of anything to say in reply.

"Oh!" she said, and then bit her lip: it sounded such a futile reply.

"I mean it," drawled the young man. "You look a regular Diana and Aphrodite... or something. I can never remember which were the athletic ones and which were the boudoir ones."

"And," said Miriam slowly, "I take it I look like one of the athletic ones?"

The young man rose lazily to his feet. He was tall, Miriam noticed, and his eyes were very blue.

"I'd call you a happy medium," he said, "open air-cum-boudoir. A great type there aren't more of the type."

And with a flashing smile he disappeared inside a door and was gone. Miriam shrugged her shoulders, laughed softly, and went down to her cabin. There really were some mad people about, she thought to herself.

"Hullo, may I sit here too?" Miriam looked up and half smiled. It was the tall young man.

"I suppose so," she answered.

Dinner was over, and she had strolled out on deck to find a comfortable chair. It was a perfect night, full of stars that promised a moon later on. The water was glassy, and there was no sound but the swish of the water against the sides of the ship, and the soft music of a gramophone. It was all very peaceful, and Miriam felt like solitude. But apparently it was not to be.

"Lovely night, stars and all that sort of thing," Miriam agreed.

"Going far?" the young man asked.

"Sydney."

"Holiday?"

"Sort of holiday."

There was silence for a minute. Miriam suddenly felt curious.

"And you?" she asked.

"Me? Oh, it's a sort of holiday. I'm on, too. Permanent holiday."

"Nine."

"But inclined to become boring."

"Never feel like settling down?"

Miriam asked. "Oh, sometimes. Trouble is, I've never met anyone who'd settle down with me. I'm too crazy."

"Certainly must be a trial."

"What?"

"Being crazy."

"Oh, it depends how you look at it. It's got some compensations. You can ask a girl her name straight off without offending her."

"Miriam," she said. It was no use resisting.

"Is that all?"

"The second name is Missingham."

He laughed. "Missingham. What an absurd name. It's what I've been doing for years. I think I'll call you Missingham."

"As you like," said Miriam.

"And your name?"

"Hyde. Tony Hyde."

"I'll call you Dr. Jekyll."

He laughed again. "In that case we'll call off the Hittingham business." He mused for a minute.

"Missingham, eh? Three M's. Miss Miriam Missingham."

"Mrs."

She was watching him. A queer tremor seemed to go through his body, and for a moment his face grew very old and grave. Then he recovered himself.

"Funny," he said, "but the last fifteen women I've fallen in love with have all been married."

He was fooling; she knew that he had been shaken. She laughed.

"I suppose you're always in love with someone?"

"Yes, and generally to no purpose. My last was Mariene Dietrich. Ah, what an affair that was. It was autumn in Beverly Hills."

"Oh, you are mad," said Miriam. "Don't you dance?"

"That sounds very like a hint," he said, and led her to the dancing floor.

As the days passed Miriam realised that she was growing more and more fond of Tony. He never asked her any more questions about herself, but she sensed that he suspected trouble somewhere. She had not been happier since

her honeymoon. Together they read, danced, carried off the deck games, frolicked, and fooled. And with that eighth sense women have, she knew that he was head over heels in love with her, and it made Roger seem very far away. But it was not until the day before they reached Sydney that Tony gave any inkling of his feelings. They were strolling along the deck before breakfast, when suddenly Tony suddenly burst out:—

"Miriam. May I ask a question?"

She knew what was coming. "Certainly," she said.

"Your husband. Have you left him?"

She did not answer for a moment. Then, "I think so," she said softly.

He caught her arm, and turned her face towards him. She felt a little afraid, he looked so unwontedly serious.

"Miriam," he said, "Miriam, I know I'm crazy, and I know you're married, and this probably sounds the most awful nonsense you ever listened to, for I've never done it before. But will you, could you, some time or other, that is, when everything's cleared up and you're not busy—would you—marry me?"

The deck started turning slowly, and a great torrent of water seemed to be rushing somewhere in the distance. Far away, ever so far, Miriam heard a little voice she hardly recognised say "Yes."

And the next moment she was being kissed in broad daylight, before breakfast, and before the chief steward.

"You see, darling," said Miriam. "I simply must tell Roger myself. It wouldn't be fair not to, and he would expect it, anyway."

"All right," Tony had answered.

And here they were on their way back to Kavatu to tell Roger. And already, though they would not be there for three days, Miriam was beginning to be a little afraid. She knew what Roger would say. He would say, "Anything in the world to make you happy," and he would grin. And she knew that when he grinned she would cry, because she would know what was behind the grin.

She tried her best to put these thoughts out of her mind. Tony did his best, too, by giving a running description of what they would do when they were married. To start off, a trip around the world. That, she had told him, would be about enough for the moment.

It all gave her a queer feeling, an intense happiness, yet a little hammering of regret. She kept wondering what would happen to Roger. But it was no use regretting now. And besides, how happy she was going to be with Tony.

Two days passed. They were almost into Lombo, the port half a day's sailing from Kavatu. It was early when they got in, and Miriam was on deck soon after sunrise. Somehow or other everything seemed changed. The beaches were more golden, and the palms looked romantic again. The natives on the wharf looked happy and contented as they sat chewing their betelnut. Was it, she thought merrily, because of Tony that everything seemed fresh and

sweet, or was it, could it be, because she would soon be seeing Roger again? She became aware of Tony beside her.

"Quite pretty, isn't it?"

"Beautiful," she answered softly.

The ship swung into the Lombo wharf. The agents came aboard with the mail. Miriam leaned over the side, watching the business of loading, and Tony drifted away to another part of the ship. Somehow, Miriam reflected, the smell of copra didn't seem bad at all now. She was busy with her thoughts when she heard the purser call her name.

"Mail, Mrs. Missingham," he said, and handed her a letter and a packet. The letter was from Roger. With a shaking hand she tore it open.

"Darling," it read. "It seems too marvellous to be true. I hardly know whether I'm on my head or my heels, and I've been in a daze ever since I heard you were on the boat. And to think you'll be home to-day!"

"Big news, darling. I've sold the plantation, and I've got another just out of Rahaui. So you'll have as much company as you want in future. I hope you're as delighted as I am, for it'll make all the difference to us."

"With this letter there should be something to remind you of happy days, just two years ago. As then, darling, you have all my love. Roger."

She torn open the packet. Inside was a spray of frangipanni. She pressed it to her face, and memories came crowding back to her; memories of the greatest happiness she had ever known. Before she knew it, tears were in her eyes. She suddenly felt weak, and she sank down limply into a deck chair. Oh, what could she do? Here was Roger, hoping for her return, preparing for her comfort, changing his place of living for her. What would he do if she told him she was going to marry another man? His dreams would come crashing down; his ambition would die within him.

Her mind was in a whirl as she looked at the spray of frangipanni. How like Roger to remember that. Somehow, she could not remember anything about their hardships, she could not recall how everything had grated on her nerves in their days of misfortune.

But Tony? Could she turn back now? She thought of everything he had to offer her. Money, life of ease and amusement, a constant entertaining companionship. And Roger. With Roger she would have to be his inspiration, his help, through hardships and adversity. But surely, she reflected, those had been her intentions when she had married him. What had got into her that she had wanted to leave him? She could not leave him! She would have to go to him. Have to tell Tony that she could never be his.

She saw Tony coming along the deck towards her, and quickly dried her eyes.

"Well, darling," Tony said, "we'll soon be putting it to the old bluster."

"Bluster?"

"Yes, bluster. You know, singular of blisters. Generally used as a term of affection."

"I'd rather you didn't refer to Roger as an old blister," she said, rather stiffly.

"Sorry!" He noticed the frangipanni. "Hullo, the old frange, eh? Rather pretty. But overrated stuff." He smelt it. "Queer scent, isn't it? Rather like toothpaste."

"Like what?"

"Toothpaste. Or the inside of a dentist's surgery."

Something seemed to snap in Miriam's mind. She realised what she must do. She turned quickly, and looked Tony in the eyes.

"Tony," she said. "I can't marry you."

"What!"

"I can't do it, Tony. Please, oh please, forgive me, but I can't."

"But... but what made you change your mind?"

She held out the spray of frangipanni. "This."

"Roger?" he asked, softly. She nodded.

"I still don't quite..."

"Understand," she asked. "No, Tony, and I'm afraid you never will, somehow."

He looked serious, and for a moment Miriam felt very sorry for him.

"Funny," he said, "I suppose it's something I've missed altogether in life—Missingham, remember?"

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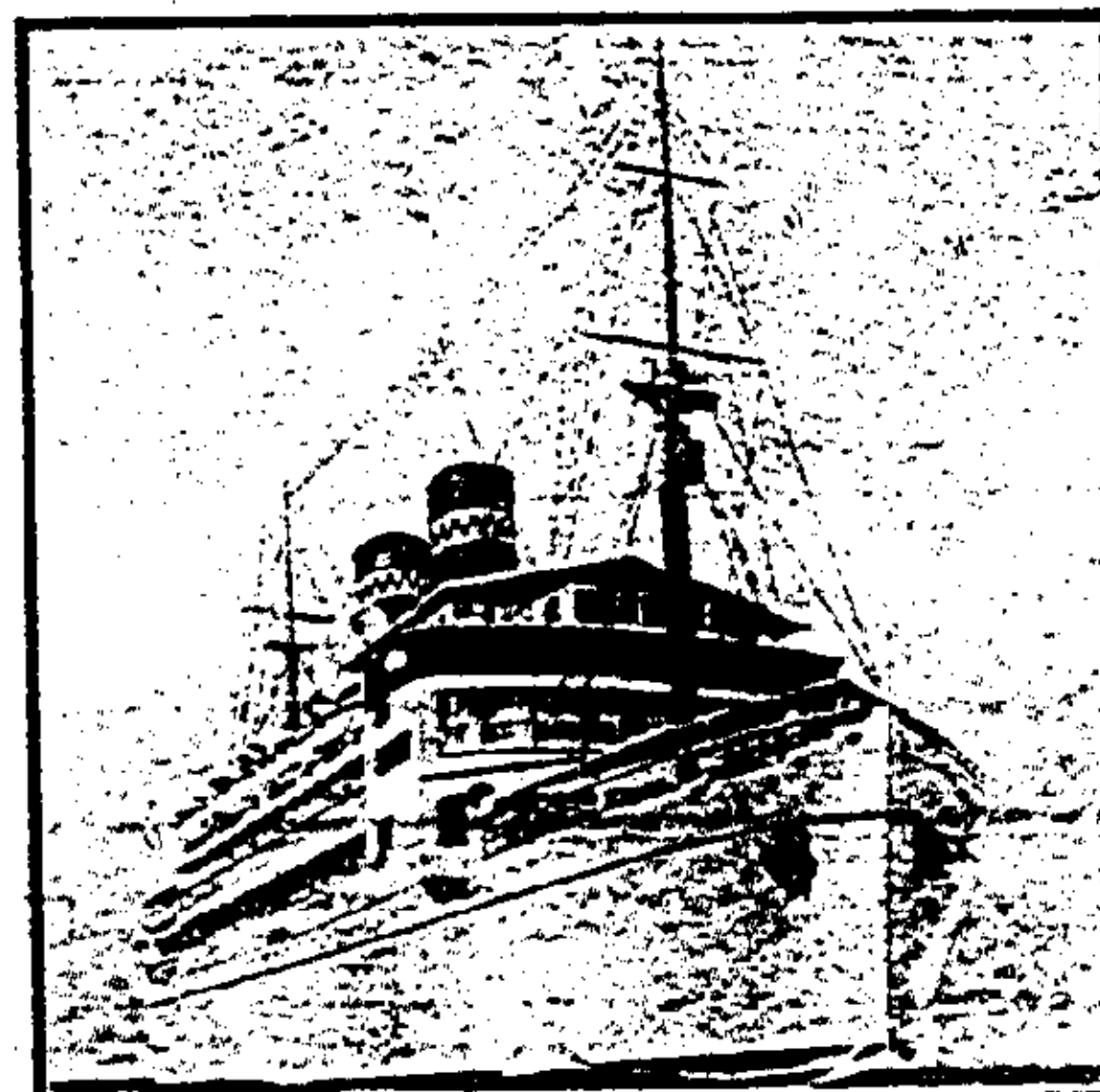
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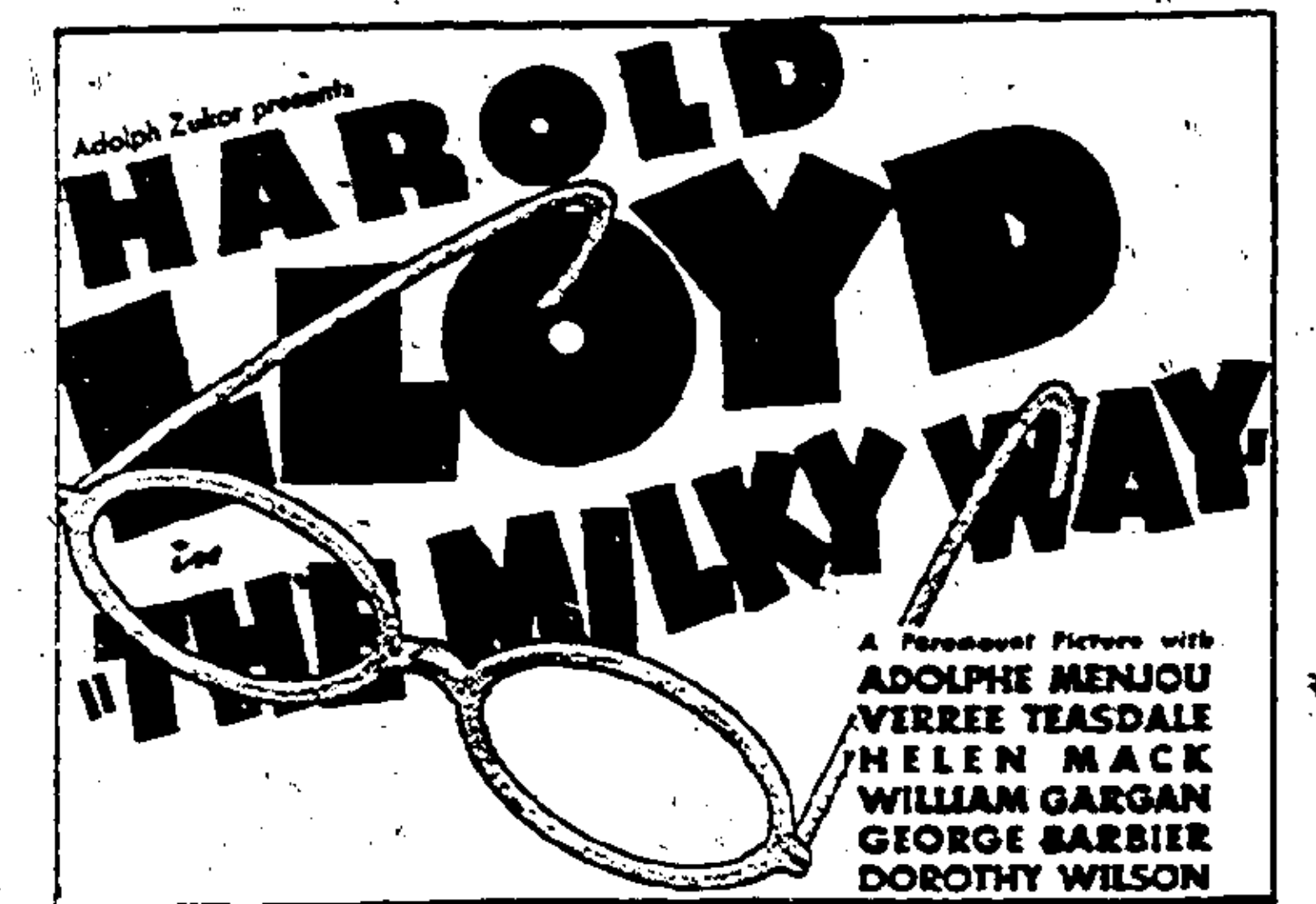
"What a nice chap," said Roger, "but rather extraordinary. I wonder why he called me 'an old blister'?"

"Amazing," Miriam agreed, as he pressed his foot on the accelerator. "Not at all," and Roger held out his hand, "Good-bye, you Tony took it. "Good-bye, you

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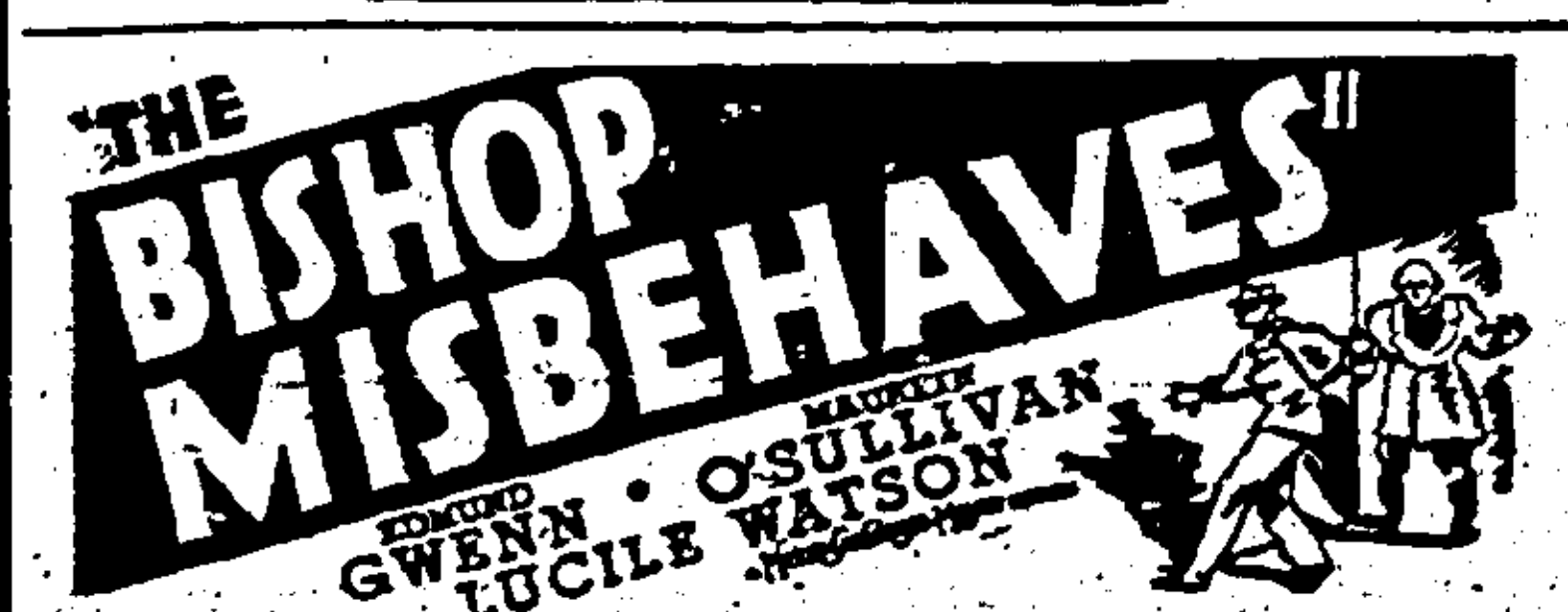
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VILLAGERS AT LAW

Alleged Malicious Action

CLAIM FOR DAMAGES

Before Mr. Justice Hayden at the Supreme Court this morning, Chan Tam-kwai, represented by Mr. M. A. da Silva, brought an action against Li Chan Shi chas Chan Yam, Tse Wong Shi chas Wong Mi Mooi, Tse Chan Shi chas Chan Kam Fung, Li Fat, Tse Loi and Tse Tam, Yeung (represented by Mr. W. MacKinlay), claiming \$1,000 damages for their having brought an action maliciously against the plaintiff.

Before the case was opened, Mr. Mackinlay informed the Court that the sixth defendant had not been served as he had been away from the Colony for the last two years. Mr. Silva, after consultation with his client, stated that he would go on with the case against the first five, leaving the sixth defendant out of it.

Mr. Silva said that the first, second and third defendants, on October 4, 1935, maliciously and without reasonable or probable cause, preferred a charge of attempting to obtain money by a false pretence against the plaintiff before a Magistrate sitting at Tai Po, New Territories, and caused the plaintiff to be tried before the said Magistrate and imprisoned by him from October 4 to November 4, 1935.

The plaintiff, Mr. Silva continued, subsequently appealed against the sentence and this was allowed. He was now bringing the claim which formed the subject of the present hearing.

Dispute Over Sand

Giving further particulars of the claim, Mr. Silva said that all the parties concerned in the case lived in the Ping Chau island which was divided into three villages. The plaintiff belonged to the Tai Tong village and the defendants to the Chau Tan village. The first named village was on the best part of the island and the sand in the beach was very fine, and for that reason it was in great demand by all the villagers, who used it to fill up their fields as a measure against floods.

So much sand had been taken away from this section of the village that the houses were in danger of falling down and for that reason the elders in the village asked the Chau Tan people not to come and take any more sand away. This did not have any effect and the three women (first three defendants) came one day and carried away a large quantity. The village elders then decided to bring the matter before the District Officer North and the women were subsequently brought before him and convicted, but were let off with a caution.

About this time two petitions had been drawn up by the elders of the Chau Tan village, alleging that when the women went for the sand they were each asked to pay 50 cents and when this was not forthcoming, they had their implements taken away from them by the plaintiff and Lee Wah, another elder of the Tai Tong village.

This was followed by investigations and culminated in the plaintiff in the present action being sent to prison, where he remained until his appeal was upheld by the Supreme Court.

The case is proceeding.

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"What was the amount of the General Managers' remuneration for 1935? Why is this item not disclosed annually in the report and accounts circulated to Shareholders?"

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"Do the General Managers, by virtue of their position, receive either directly or indirectly any benefits other than the ordinary remuneration granted by the memorandum or Articles of Association?"—"No, they do not."

"How and by whom are the general purchases of the Company

CONGRESS PARTY IN INDIA

SESSION BROUGHT TO A CLOSE

MANY RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

Lucknow, To-day.

Amid shouts of "Long live the revolution!" and scenes of enthusiasm the session of the National Congress ended at midnight after passing no fewer than 15 resolutions, including two yesterday, firstly, that the Congress should establish closer contact with the masses; and secondly, expressing sympathy with the people of the Indian States, though declining to assist them actively in the struggle against the rulers and in adopting an agrarian programme.

Shortly before the conclusion of the session the Socialist Party scored their only victory when the Congress, by 227 votes to 207, carried a proposal to retain proportional representation in the election for the All-India Congress Committee by the provincial organisations. This was a victory for the President, Mr. Nehru, who had previously been outvoted in the subjects of the Committee in this connection.—Reuter.

TACTICS OF ITALY

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BRITISH DELEGATES

London: The Staff talks between the British, French and Belgian General Staffs will begin at the Admiralty at 11.30 to-day, and will be continued subsequently at various Ministries. The British representatives will be Vice-Admiral Sir William James, Naval Captain E. M. Syrett, Lieutenant-General J. G. Dill, Major-General W. K. Venning, Colonel Sir Ronald Adam, Air Vice-Marshal C. L. Courtney, Group-Captain A. T. Harris and Wing-Commander J. O. Andrews.

ITALY'S NEW MOVE

Geneva: The fact that Baron Aloisi's arrival at Geneva has been delayed 24 hours has created an unfavourable impression, and is regarded as indicating that Italy intends to take up an attitude of procrastination and obstruction in order to throw the onus of any decision on the Committee of Thirteen; but it is significant that despite the delay Senator de Madariaga has fixed the meeting of the Committee for tomorrow afternoon, which is taken to imply that Senator de Madariaga does not intend to allow himself to be influenced by Italy's dilatory tactics.—Reuter.

add Tactics of Italy

ITALY NOT TO PARTICIPATE?

London: No intimation has been received in London of the intention of Italy to be represented at the Staff talks which, in accordance with the undertaking given in the decisions reached on March 19, will begin to-day. The French and Belgian delegations will be received at the Admiralty by Vice-Admiral Sir W. James, Deputy Chief of the Naval Staff, and subsequently meetings will be at the various Ministries.—British Wireless Service.

QUESTIONS CONSIDERED

London: The questions which, at the request of last week's Geneva meeting, are to be addressed to the German Government by the British Government on behalf of the other Locarno Powers, and which will be directed to elucidate certain points in Germany's recent "Peace plan" memorandum, are receiving the personal consideration of Mr. Anthony Eden, but no action is likely during the current week. The Foreign Secretary will devote his attention to this matter on his return from Geneva, for which he will leave London to-day, to attend the meeting of the Committee of Thirteen, which has been convened for Thursday.—British Wireless Service.

WEATHER REPORT

The anti-cyclone has moved into the Pacific to the north-east of the Bonins, but a weak anti-cyclonic area remains over China. The depression remains over Manchuria and has become more intense. North or north-east winds, moderate; cloudy with mist or occasional rain, was the forecast for to-day, as issued by the Royal Observatory this morning.

MITSUI CASES

Maximum Fine On Married Woman

CHILD APPARENTLY NEGLECTED

The maximum fine of \$250 was imposed on Ang Hing Tang, a married woman, for keeping an unregistered *mitsui*, Ha Fai, aged 15, at No. 18 Hillier Street, second floor, by Mr. W. Schofield, at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Inspector H. W. Fraser said that the lady inspector, while visiting registered *mitsui* in that district, met the girl taking meals to the school for defendant's children. She said she was a *mitsui* and had been presented to the defendant some three years ago.

It appears that the girl's mother had borrowed, at different times, certain sums of money from defendant, amounting in all to about \$150, and had placed the girl with the defendant as a kind of security until the girl was of a marriageable age.

When the girl was brought to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs she was very dirty and seemed to have been neglected. She had expressed a desire to go to the Salvation Army home.

Inspector Fraser concluded by saying that he had been instructed to ask that a serious view be taken of this case.

Another Case

Li Yuet Lan, a married woman, was fined \$100 by Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy this morning for keeping Li Chun-hi, aged 10, an unregistered *mitsui*, at No. 27 D'Arguilar Street.

Defendant said that the girl belonged to her sister, who had gone to Singapore and who had placed the girl in her charge. She had been given a chance to return to her mother, but she refused.

Inspector Fraser said that the girl was presented to another person for \$90 about two years ago and had been brought to Hong Kong and handed to the defendant. The girl did household work and was well fed and clothed, and had no desire to return to her mother.

Small Fine Imposed

Two sisters, Chu Fuk-kan and Chui Yiu, were this morning fined \$10 each by Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy. The first was charged with keeping Ng Fuk-yu, aged 13, an unregistered *mitsui*, while the latter was charged with bringing the said *mitsui* into the Colony.

According to Inspector Fraser the first defendant did on April 1 go to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs to register the *mitsui*, but was told that no further registrations were allowed. The girl was presented to the second defendant in the country 10 years ago, and she recently brought her to the Colony. The girl has been exceptionally well treated and looked after, and desired to remain with the defendants. Arrangements may be made for her to remain as a domestic servant.

FORMER FRENCH MINISTER PASSES

Paris, To-day.—The death has occurred of Senator Cheron, the veteran ex-Minister of Justice at the time of the Stavisky disclosures and the assassination of King Alexander of Yugoslavia in 1934.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

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made, and what commission, if any, is paid by the Company?" "All purchases are made or controlled by the General Manager—no commissions are paid other than those provided for by the Company's Articles of Association."

Mr. F. W. Stapleton seconded the adoption of the Report and Accounts, which was carried unanimously.

Other Business

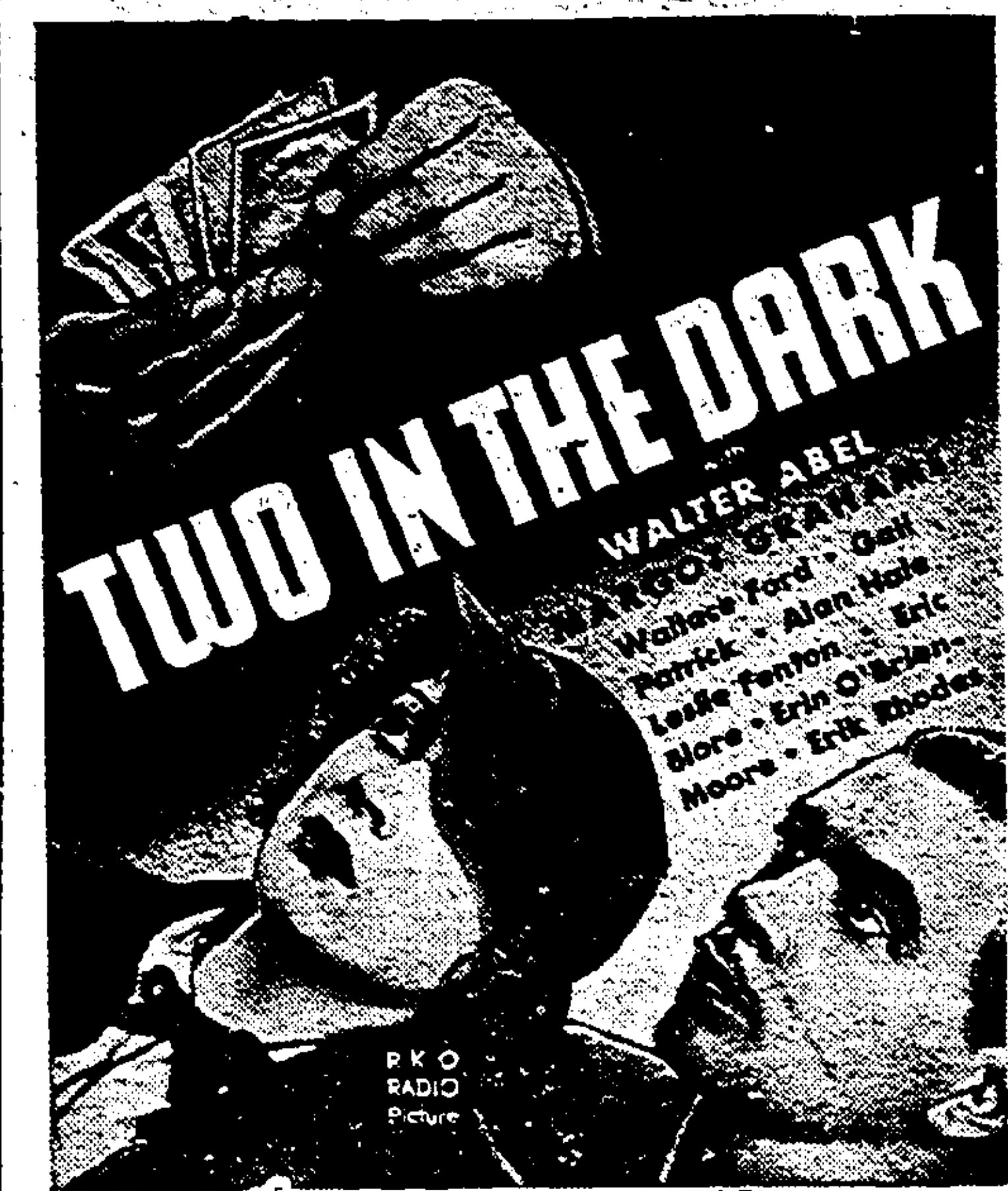
Mr. J. Scott Harston, Sir Shou-son Chow and Mr. S. T. Williamson were re-elected to the Board of Directors on the proposal of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. F. M. Ellis. Mr. C. Bernard Brown A. C. A. and Mr. S. T. Butlin were re-elected auditors for the ensuing year at a remuneration of \$1,250 each, on the proposal of Mr. J. E. Jupp, seconded by Mr. J. D. Humphreys.

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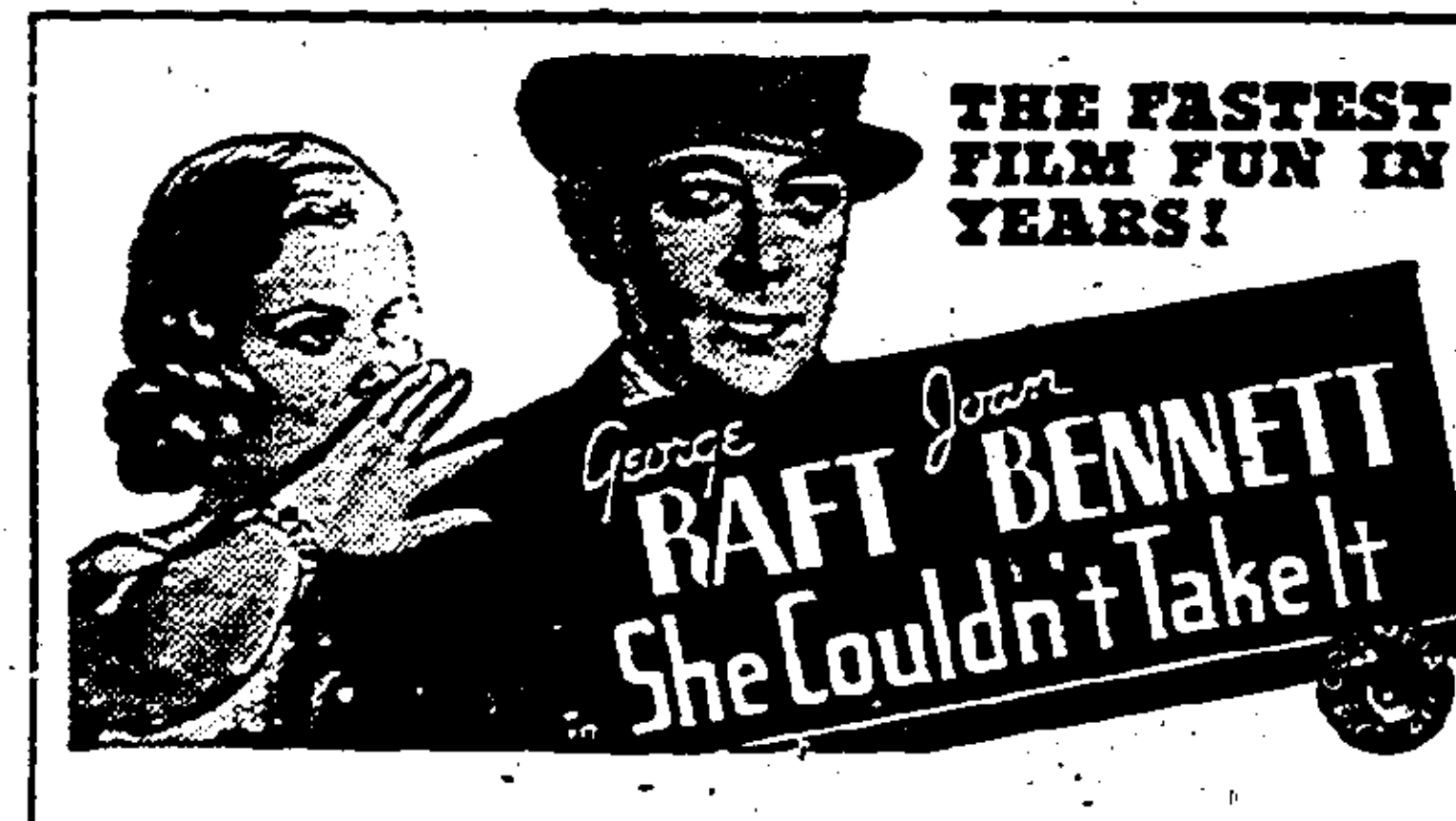
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